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Ladies/Gentlemen:

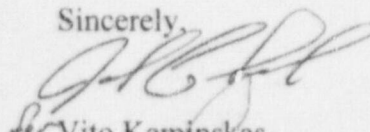
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ASME SECTION XI PRESSURE TEST PROGRAM
EXTENSION OF THIRD INTERVAL
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 1

This letter is to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Code, Section XI, Paragraphs IWA-2430(d) and IWA-2430(e), we have extended the Third 10-Year Interval for the Pressure Testing Program at our Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 1, by 21 months. The Edition of ASME Section XI applicable to Point Beach Unit 1 is the 1986 Edition with no Addenda. As a stand alone program, this 21-month extension of the Third Interval is being applied only to the Pressure Testing Program. The Fourth 10-Year Interval Pressure Testing Program will be shortened by 21 months so that the end of the Fourth Interval will remain unchanged.

This extension of the Third Interval will extend the Second 40-Month Period for that Interval to April 30, 1999. This extension is being undertaken to allow sufficient time to complete testing of systems recently determined as not previously being included in the pressure test program. These deficiencies have been documented in our condition reporting and corrective action programs. The basis and justification for this extension of the Third Interval have been documented in Appendix D, Revision 3 of our Pressure Test Program description dated January 28, 1999.

Please contact me with any questions you may have concerning our actions in this matter.

Sincerely,


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