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Ladies/Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-301
LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 97-036-00
POTENTIAL COMMON MODE FAILURE IN DC POWER SUPPLY
COULD DISABLE AUXILIARY FEEDWATER SYSTEM
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Enclosed is Licensee Event Report 97-036-00 for Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. This report is provided in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(ii)(B), "a condition that was outside the design basis of the plant." This report describes the discovery that a coincidental, random failure of a particular DC power supply during a seismic or tornado event could prevent the timely stoppage of auxiliary feedwater (AFW) pumps if the normal water supply to the AFW pumps were damaged by the earthquake or tornado.

New commitments within the report are indicated in italics.

Please contact us if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. F. Johnson'.

D. F. Johnson
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Enclosure

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