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Docket No. 50-266
Docket No. 50-301

Wisconsin Electric Power Company

ATTN: Mr. C. W. Fay
Vice President
Nuclear Power

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the special safety inspection conducted by Mr. G. Shear of this office on May 22-25, and June 14, 1989, of activities at Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2 authorized by NRC Facility Operating Licenses No. DPR-24 and No. DPR-27, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. J. Zach and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection. However, we are concerned that the Exercise Weakness from the March 15, 1989 exercise (Open Item No. 266/89008-02) was not adequately addressed by you. Your letter of May 10, 1989, in response to Inspection Reports No. 50-266/89008 and No. 50-301/89008 indicated that you did not believe that the identified Exercise Weakness was a generic problem and therefore you did not propose to take corrective action addressing this aspect of the weakness. During this inspection, as a result of walkthroughs and interviews of PBNP staff, it appears that this problem is of a more generic nature than you indicate. The walkthroughs and interviews of the Health Physics and Chemistry personnel indicated that their understanding of the areas related to the Exercise Weakness was no better than the individuals involved in the March 15, 1989 exercise. We are concerned that your training program may not be training personnel as well as intended. Please respond to this letter within 45 days with corrective actions planned or taken to address this concern regarding the Exercise Weakness.

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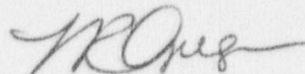
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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Inspection Reports

No. 50-266/89013(DRSS)

No. 50-301/89012(DRSS)

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