



Point Beach Nuclear Plant
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Ladies/Gentlemen:

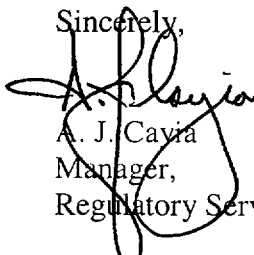
DOCKET NOS 50-266 AND 50-301
LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 1999-009-00
DESIGN BASIS FOR CONTROL ROOM/CABLE SPREADING ROOM
FIRE BARRIER NOT FULLY IMPLEMENTED
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Enclosed is Licensee Event Report 266/1999-009-00 for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP), Units 1 and 2. This report is provided in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(ii)(B) as "any event or condition that resulted in the ... nuclear power plant being: (B) in a condition that was outside the design basis of the plant." This report describes the discovery that a portion of the fire barrier between the PBNP control room and the cable spreading room did not meet our NRC commitment for a three hour rated barrier. Based on the guidance in NUREG-1022, "The design basis with respect to Appendix R for protection of safe shutdown capability is essentially the same as the required protection features." Since the NRC fire protection commitment for this barrier was not satisfied, we conservatively considered this event to be a condition outside the design basis for the plant. This barrier was subsequently evaluated and determined to satisfy Appendix R safe shutdown consideration.

There are no new commitments within this report.

Please contact us if you require additional information.

Sincerely,


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