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Ladies/Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-301  
COMMITMENT DATE CHANGE  
CONTROL ROOM HABITABILITY  
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

In a letter to the NRC dated August 17, 2000, Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC), licensee for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP), discussed a commitment to revise and submit radiological dose analyses for the control room, and a license amendment proposal as necessary to demonstrate continued conformance to the regulatory requirements and the PBNP licensing basis. The timeline associated with this initiative was discussed in letters from the NRC dated April 7 and August 15, 2000.

During a conference call with Beth Wetzel and Mark Caruso of the NRC staff on February 8, 2001, an extension of the initially proposed May 1, 2001 completion date was discussed. The initial timeline, which was agreed to in a teleconference between the NRC staff and Point Beach personnel on April 6, 2000, was based on the expectation that publication of NEI 99-03, Control Room Habitability Assessment Guidance, would occur by the end of 2000. However, current activities within the NRC and the industry to resolve control room habitability issues have been prolonged. This has delayed publication of NEI 99-03 and necessitated extension of the Point Beach control room habitability initiative.

We therefore propose to change the commitment date for submitting a radiological dose analyses for the control room, and the corresponding license amendment request, to February 1, 2002. The revised submittal date will allow for receipt of our vendor's (Westinghouse) analysis, provide adequate time to finalize the analysis in light of the most current NEI information, and evaluate the need for any associated equipment modifications.

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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Reddemann', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Reddemann  
Site Vice President

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cc: NRC Regional Administrator  
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