

**PRIORITY ATTENTION REQUIRED MORNING REPORT - REGION III****Morning Report Date: DEC 13, 2005****Licensee/Facility:**

NUCLEAR MANAGEMENT CO., LLC  
Point Beach  
Two Rivers, Wisconsin  
Dockets: 050-00266  
[1] W-2-LP

**Notification:**

MR Number: 3-2005-0023  
Date: 12/13/2005  
Call from Licensee

**Subject:** Manual Trip of Reactor

**Discussion:**

At 3:39 a.m., control room operators manually tripped Unit 1 when main condenser vacuum began to decrease rapidly. Loss of vacuum would have resulted in an automatic reactor trip had the operators not manually tripped the reactor. The decrease in vacuum was caused by the failure of a running circulating water pump. The initial evaluation indicated a failure of the coupling between the pump and motor. The licensee is developing plans to evaluate the cause of the failure and repair the coupling. Plant equipment responded as designed to the trip.

Regional Action: The resident inspectors are following the licensee's evaluation of the cause of the coupling failure.

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