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Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-301
RESPONSE TO NRC GENERIC LETTER 92-08
THERMO-LAG 330-1 FIRE BARRIERS
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

NRC Generic Letter 92-08, "Thermo-Lag 330-1 Fire Barriers," dated December 17, 1992, requires each licensee to provide a written report within 120 days regarding the installation of Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barriers in their plants.

As stated in our July 21, 1992 response to NRC Bulletin 92-01, "Failure of Thermo-Lag 330-1 Fire Barrier System to Maintain Cabling in Wide Cable Trays and Small Conduits Free from Fire Damage," Wisconsin Electric does not use Thermo-Lag 330 fire barrier systems at its Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP).

INTERAM, a fire-rated barrier system manufactured by the 3M Corporation, has been installed at PBNP on selected raceways to provide separation between redundant shutdown trains to meet the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix R, Section III.G.2, "Fire Protection of Safe Shutdown Capability." Based on the manufacturer's technical information and our preliminary review of the issues identified in Generic Letter 92-08, the INTERAM fire barrier system is capable of performing its intended function at PBNP.

Wisconsin Electric is continuing to review and evaluate the information and issues resulting from the Thermo-Lag investigation. If any future problems with the INTERAM fire barrier system are identified as a result of these evaluations, Wisconsin Electric will promptly inform you of such problems and our corrective action(s).

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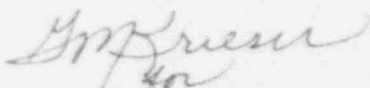
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If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not
hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob Link".

Bob Link
Vice President
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cc: NRC Resident Inspector
NRC Regional Administrator, Region III