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In the Matter of
Wisconsin Electric Power Company
(Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2)

Dear Administrative Judges:

We are in receipt of a letter to the Board from Decade dated May 13, 1982.

In its letter, Decade refers to the Board's May 4, 1982 oral questions regarding "leaking sleeves," and asks that it be allowed to conduct discovery with respect to Licensee's License Event Report No. 82-007/01T-0 (LER 82-007). Some clarification seems to be in order.

There are no "leaking sleeves" at Point Beach. LER 82-007 did not involve leaking sleeves and, to the best of our understanding, the Board's questions did not refer to leaking sleeves.

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Two of the twelve tubes sleeved during the demonstration sleeving program required the removal of explosive plugs at each end. One of these tubes, identified in LER 82-007 as R25C27, subsequently exhibited minor leakage at the cold leg end. The cold leg end had not been sleeved, so sleeving was not involved in the detected leakage.


In any event, Licensee does not intend to sleeve tubes during the full-scale sleeving program at Unit 2 which have been previously plugged with explosive plugs. Thus, explosive plugs will not be removed as part of the sleeving effort. This was indicated by the Staff in its May 10, 1982 response to the Board's questions.

Consequently, the leakage in tube R25C27 reported in LER 82-007 and discussed in the Staff's May 10 response and Decade's May 13 letter is not relevant to Licensee's proposed sleeving program. Decade's requested discovery is therefore beyond the scope of this proceeding and should be denied, 10 C.F.R. §2.740(b)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

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