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Mr. H. R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. D. G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing

Gentlemen:

DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301
REQUEST FOR HEARING REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALIFICATION OF SAFETY-RELATED ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

By letter dated August 14, 1981 to Mr. Jay E. Silberg, Counsel for Wisconsin Electric Power Company, Mr. Eisenhut stated that Wisconsin Electric would have until 30 days after the Commission completed action on the industry petition to extend the June 30, 1982 deadline for environmental qualification in which to inform the NRC of our intent on requesting a hearing regarding the Order imposing environmental qualification requirements on Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. The Commission published its final rule on environmental qualification, i.e., 10 CFR 50.49, in the Federal Register (Volume 48, Number 15, Page 2729) on January 21, 1983. That final rule will become effective on February 22, 1983 at which time Commission action on the industry petition will be completed.

We are in the process of reviewing that rule. We have not yet determined whether we wish to request a hearing. We will make that determination within the 30-day period following February 22, i.e., by March 24, 1983, and will advise you of our intent in writing by that date. If this additional 30-day period to review the rule cannot be granted, then Wisconsin Electric hereby requests that a hearing be conducted on the issue of whether all safety-related electrical equipment at Point Beach should be environmentally qualified in accordance with the Order as modified by the rule.

Very truly yours,

Vice President - Nuclear Power

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