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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. J. R. Miller, Chief
Operating Reactors, Branch 3

Gentlemen:

DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301
MODIFICATION TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE REQUEST NO. 98
SURVEILLANCE OF CONTAINMENT TENDONS
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

In a letter dated May 2, 1984 Wisconsin Electric Power Company requested license amendments to incorporate revisions and additions to the Point Beach Nuclear Plant Technical Specifications for testing and surveillance of the containment structure tendons. The purpose of the changes was to improve the tendon surveillance program by providing for random sampling of tendons to be tested and to specify tendon testing in accordance with the recommendations of the NRC regulatory guidance.

In a letter dated July 24, 1984 the NRC staff provided comments on our proposed tendon surveillance specifications and requested that licensee resubmit these specifications to incorporate these comments. The NRC positions were subsequently clarified in several telephone calls from Messrs. T. G. Colburn and C. P. Tan of your staff.

Attached is a revision to our proposed tendon surveillance specification which includes the changes requested by the NRC staff. Changes to the May 2 license amendments application are identified on the attached pages by double margin bars and are summarized as follows:

1. Section D has been added to Specification 15.3.6 to provide a limiting condition for operation on containment structural integrity.
2. Specification 15.4.4.VII.A was revised to require that one tendon from each group be subjected to retesting at each physical inspection in order to develop a test history and to permit correlation of test data.

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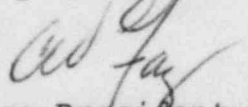
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3. Specification 15.4.4.VII.C.(2)b(ii) was expanded to include additional suggestions for actions to be considered if a tendon prestressing force falls below the predicted lower limit.
4. Item (iv) was added to the above specifications to provide a listing of the minimum design value tendon force adjusted for elastic losses for each of the three tendon groups.
5. Specification 15.4.4.VII.C(2)d was revised to specify the minimum required tendon wire tensile strength and action to be taken if that minimum is not satisfied.
6. Specification 15.4.4.VII.C(2)e was revised to better define the operability requirements for the sheathing filler grease.

As required by 10 CFR 50.91(a)(1), we have examined these changes to our previously submitted Technical Specification change request to determine whether or not these proposed changes involve a significant hazards consideration. Since each of these changes involves additional limitations or restrictions not previously contained in the proposed or existing specifications, we conclude, in conformance with the guidelines provided in 48 Federal Register 14870, that these revisions do not constitute a significant hazards consideration.

Enclosed are three signed originals and forty copies of this modification to our license amendments application and letter of May 2. As discussed with your staff, we are proceeding with the 1984 tendon inspection utilizing procedures which incorporate all provisions of these proposed Technical Specification changes. Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this submittal.

Very truly yours,

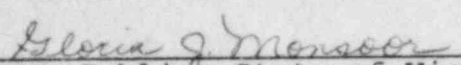

Vice President-Nuclear Power

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Enclosure

Copies to NRC Resident Inspector
C. F. Riederer, PSCW

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 7th day of September 1984.


Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My Commission expires 6-12-88.