

February 7, 1997

Mr. S. A. Patulski
Site Vice President
Point Beach Nuclear Plant
6610 Nuclear Road
Two Rivers, WI 54241

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-301/96014(DRS)

Dear Mr. Patulski:

On January 9, 1997, the NRC completed an inspection at your Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 2. The focus of this inspection was your steam generator replacement (SGRP) activities. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

During this inspection, inspectors noted a relatively large number of engineering and quality assurance hold points throughout the SGRP work packages, which indicated a good preplanned oversight effort for the SGRP activities. However, misalignments of connecting feedwater and mainsteam piping, which required emergent system modifications to correct, indicated that engineering staff preplanning efforts associated with steam generator installation alignments were not fully effective. Overall, the inspectors concluded that the welding and nondestructive examinations activities observed associated with the steam generator replacement met the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Code requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. A. Grobe

John A. Grobe, Deputy Director
Division of Reactor Projects

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