

October 20, 2000

Mr. J. Sorenson
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SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
EXERCISE AND OPERATOR LICENSING ISSUES

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We appreciate the candid discussions with you and your staff during this meeting. If you have any concerns or questions concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. David Hills, Operations Branch Chief, at (630) 829-9733.

Sincerely,

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Steven A. Reynolds
Deputy Director
Division of Reactor Safety

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Prairie Island Public Meeting Attendance

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Joel Sorenson	Site General Manager	XCEL/NSP
Terry Silverberg	General Superintendent Operations	XCEL/NSP
Joe Jensen	Training Process Manager	XCEL/NSP
Dennis Wesphal	Operations Training Superintendent	XCEL/NSP
Joe Loesch	Instructor/Project Manager	XCEL/NSP
Steven Reynolds	Deputy Division Director Division of Reactor Safety	NRC/RIII/DRS
David Hills	Operations Branch Chief	NRC/RIII/DRS/OB
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Roger Lanksbury	Division of Reactor Projects Branch Chief	NRC/RIII/DRP
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David Trimble (by telecon)	Section Chief, Operator Licensing and Human Performance Section	NRR/IOLBA
John Munro (by telecon)	Senior Reactor Engineer, Operator Licensing and Human Performance Section	NRR/IOLBA