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Docket No. 50-263

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Dear Mr. Mayer:

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The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 41 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-22 for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. The amendment adds license conditions relating to the completion of facility modifications for fire protection in response to your letters dated December 10, 1976, July 5, 1977, May 18, 1978, November 7, 1978, and January 4, 1979.

We have discussed the contents and conditions of this license amendment with members of your staff and we understand that you have agreed to this license amendment. Nevertheless, you understand that by the provisions of 10 CFR Part 2 paragraph 2.204, you may demand a hearing with respect to all or any part of the amendment within twenty (20) days from the date of the notice in the Federal Register of the issuance of this amendment. If you do not demand a hearing, this amendment will become effective on the expiration of that twenty (20) day period.

By Amendment No. 33 we issued Technical Specifications to incorporate limiting conditions for operation and surveillance requirements for existing fire protection systems. We request that you propose revised Technical Specifications related to facility modifications required by the enclosed amendment by July 1980.

We have determined that no license amendment fee is required to accompany your response to the aforementioned request. This determination is limited to those applications or requests to incorporate our recommended Technical Specifications and those to add surveillance and other requirements for operable systems that have been added at our request. Any other unrelated changes or requests that you might choose to include in the fire protection requests would be subject to amendment fees in accordance with Section 170.22 of 10 CFR Part 170.

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Copies of the related Safety Evaluation and the Notice of Issuance of Amendment are also enclosed.

> Sincerely, Original Signed by J. A. Ippolito

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #3 Division of Operating Reactors

Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. to DPR-22

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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-263

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 41 License No. DPR-22

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The facility will operate in conformity with the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - B. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - C. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - D. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
- 2. Accordingly, operating license DPR-22 is amended by adding paragraph 3.F to read as follows:
 - 3.F. The licensee may proceed with and is required to complete the modifications identified in Paragraphs 3.1.1 through 3.1.17 of the NRC's Fire Protection Safety Evaluation (SE), dated August 29, 1979 for the facility. These modifications will be completed in accordance with the schedule in Table 3.1 of the SE. If any modification cannot be completed on schedule, the licensee shall submit a report explaining the circumstances and propose, for staff approval, a revised schedule.

In addition, the licensee shall submit the additional information identified in Table 3.2 of this SE in accordance with the schedule contained therein. If the information cannot be submitted on schedule, the licensee shall submit a report explaining the circumstances together with a revised schedule.

3. This license amendment becomes effective as of September 26, 1979*.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #3
Division of Operating Reactors

Date of Issuance: August 29, 1979

*Provided no hearing is requested under 10 CFR Part 2 Paragraph 2.204.

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 50-263

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 41 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-22, issued to Northern States Power Company, which revised the license for operation of the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (the facility) located in Wright County, Minnesota. The amendment will become effective twenty days from the date of publication of this notice of issuance unless a hearing has been requested.

The amendment adds a license condition pertaining to the completion of facility modifications to improve the fire protection program.

The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR Section 51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement, or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the licensee's submittals dated December 10, 1976, July 5, 1977, May 18, 1978, November 7, 1978, and January 4, 1979, (2) Amendment No. 41 to License No. 3PR-22, and (3) the

Commission's related Safety Evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the Environmental Conservation Library, Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota. A copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon recuest addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 2055, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 29 day of August 1979.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #3

Division of Operating Reactors