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Docket No. 50-263

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Northern States Power Company
 Attn: Mr. D. F. McElroy
 414 Nicollet Mall
 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Gentlemen:

A copy of an Order Extending Construction Completion Date specified in Provisional Construction Permit No. CPPR-31, as amended, from August 1, 1970 to February 1, 1971, for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant Unit 1 is enclosed.

This Order has been transmitted to the Office of the Federal Register for filing and publication.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by
 Peter A. Morris

Peter A. Morris, Director
 Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosure:
 Order Extending Construction
 Completion Date

cc: Mr. Gerald Charnoff, w/encl
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Exempt Auth/CP
from the

Donald E. Nelson
Vice President and
General Counsel
Northern States Power Company
414 Nicollet Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Dear Mr. Nelson:

This is in reply to the letters of Northern States Power Company, dated January 27 and February 23, 1967, regarding certain work proposed to be performed at the site of the Monticello Nuclear Power Plant prior to the issuance of a construction permit by the Commission.

You state that prior to the issuance of the construction permit you propose to 1) undertake the excavation for the reactor building and the turbine building; 2) begin construction of the turbine building; 3) install a segment of concrete under the turbine building to give support to the earth underlying the floor of that building which would eventually be either incorporated as a permanent part of one wall and a part of the floor of the reactor building, or would be independent of the reactor building, depending on which alternative is selected; 4) install a thin concrete mud slab across the reactor building excavation; 5) erect wooden forms for the reactor building floor and walls; and 6) place but not attach reinforcing steel for the floor of the reactor building in the excavation for that building.

In the attached memorandum, the Commission's General Counsel has advised that the provisions of 10 CFR § 50.10(b) do not proscribe the performance of the following work, as described in your letter of January 27, prior to the issuance of a construction permit: the excavations for the reactor and turbine buildings; the construction of the turbine building; the installation of the concrete mud slab; the erection of the wooden forms; and the placement of the reinforcing steel in the reactor building excavation.

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With respect to the two alternatives you propose for the installation of a segment of concrete under the turbine building to give support to the earth underlying the floor of the turbine building, the General Counsel has advised that the alternative which involves the eventual incorporation of this segment in the wall and floor of the reactor building is proscribed by 10 CFR § 50.10(b). The other alternative is not so proscribed and may be followed prior to the issuance of a construction permit.

In your letter of February 23, 1967, you requested, pursuant to 10 CFR § 50.12, an exemption from the provisions of 10 CFR § 50.10(b), to the extent that such an exemption is required, to permit the conduct of the work described in your letter of January 27, 1967, prior to the issuance of a construction permit. You state that the commencement of the work on or about March 1, 1967, is necessary in order to assure the availability of the Monticello plant for commercial production of electric energy on schedule, and is, therefore, in the public interest.

We have carefully reviewed your request for an exemption and the reasons set forth in support thereof, and have concluded that the granting of the proposed exemption is authorized by law, will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission hereby authorizes you to install, prior to the issuance of a construction permit, a segment of concrete under the turbine building floor of the Monticello Nuclear Power Plant, as proposed in your letter of January 27, 1967, which will be incorporated as part of the reactor building wall and floor.

I wish to emphasize that the granting of this exemption shall have no effect upon the subsequent granting or denial of a construction permit for the proposed Monticello

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Nuclear Power Plant, and any work performed pursuant to this exemption shall be performed entirely at the risk of Northern States Power Company. Furthermore, the granting of this exemption does not constitute an approval of the type or adequacy of the segment or of the method of its installation.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Harold L. Price

Harold L. Price
Director of Regulation

Enclosure:
As stated

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cc: Gerald Charnoff, Esq.

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