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Docket No. 50-263

Mr. D. M. Musolf Nuclear Support Services Department Northern States Power Company 414 Nicollet Mall - 8th Floor Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Dear Mr. Musolf:

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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE FOR OFFGAS SYSTEM TRIP (TAC 61659)

Re:

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 48 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-22 for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. This amendment is in response to your application dated May 12, 1986.

The amendment relocates the hydrogen monitor trip function from the recombiner train trip logic to the offgas compressor trip logic. This allows offgas flow to continue to flow in those portions of the system able to withstand a hydrogen detonation while operators investigate hydrogen monitor trips. The change increases plant reliability by providing more time for operators to respond to hydrogen monitor trips. Changes to the Technical Specification pages in this amendment are effective when the equipment modifications necessitating the changes are completed and the affected systems are made operable, but not later than startup following the thirteenth refueling outage. You are requested to inform NRR by letter of the effective dates for this amendment within 7 days of the date the affected systems are made operable.

A copy of our related Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. The Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly <u>Federal Register</u> notices.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
John A. Zwolinski, Director
BWR Project Directorate #1
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Enclosures:

 Amendment No. 48 to License No. DPR-22

Safety Evaluation

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