

SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION

December 29, 2003

Mr. T. Palmisano
Site Vice President
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
Nuclear Management Company, LLC
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Monticello, MN 55362-9637

SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
NRC SAFEGUARDS INSPECTION OF COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER
INSPECTION REPORT 05000263/2003008(DRS)

Dear Mr. Palmisano:

On October 10, 2003, the NRC completed an inspection at your Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. The enclosed report documents the inspection findings which were discussed on October 10, 2003, with you and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to public health and safety, the common defense and security, and to compliance with the Commission's regulations, orders, and the conditions of your license. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

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Sincerely,

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Cynthia D. Pederson, Director
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