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Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant  
Units 1 and 2  
Dockets 50-282 and 50-306  
License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60

Generic Letter 2003-01, "Control Room Habitability", Commitment Change

- References:
- 1) NRC Issuance of Generic Letter 2003-01, Control Room Habitability, dated June 12, 2003.
  - 2) NMC to NRC, Generic Letter 2003-01, Design Bases, Licensing Bases and In-leakage Testing Results for Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, dated November 18, 2004.
  - 3) NMC to NRC, Response to Generic Letter 2003-01, "Control Room Habitability" for Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, dated December 9, 2003.
  - 4) NMC to NRC letter, Generic Letter 2003-01, "Control Room Habitability", Commitment Change, dated January 15, 2008.

On June 12, 2003, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Generic Letter (GL) 2003-01, "Control Room Habitability," requesting information on this subject (Reference 1). In response to this NRC request, NMC submitted the requested information for Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (MNGP) on November 18, 2004 (L-MT-4-049) (Reference 2) and for Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (PINGP) on December 9, 2003 (L-PI-03-114) (Reference 3). As part of these responses, NMC committed to submit corresponding Technical Specification (TS) changes to incorporate a Control Room Integrity Program within 180 days from the NRC issuance of TSTF-448 for adoption. On January 15, 2008 (Reference 4), NMC notified the NRC of commitment changes to submit TSTF-448 related TS changes for PINGP and MNGP.

During a recent review of the status of industry submittals for TSTF-448, it was noticed that those plants with a neutral control room were being asked by your staff to provide additional information regarding surveillances that would serve as comparable alternatives to a differential pressure test currently performed by the pressurized control room plants. Since Prairie Island falls in the neutral control room category, further evaluation is needed to develop acceptable alternative surveillances.

This subject was discussed with your staff during a recent conference call. Thus, in order to allow adequate time to develop an acceptable submittal for Prairie Island, taking into consideration the current industry status, NMC is notifying the NRC staff of a revised commitment date for the respective license amendment request (LAR) submittal for PINGP.

The revised commitment is to submit the TSTF-448 related LAR following the guidance of the consolidated line item improvement process (CLIP) by May 2, 2008. This change in commitment has been discussed with the respective NRR Project Manager.

The respective MNGP LAR submittal has been made in accordance with the commitment included in Reference 4.

Summary of Commitments

This letter contains one revised commitment for PINGP.

“The revised commitment is to submit the TSTF-448, Revision 3 related LAR following the guidance of the CLIP by May 2, 2008”.

Sincerely,



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