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DESCRIPTION:

Ltr reporting abnormal occurrence of 2-16-74 in which two outboard MSIVs failed to close using the control room handswitch

PLANT NAME: MONTICELLO

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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
Monticello, Minnesota 55362

February 19, 1974

Mr. J. G. Keppler, Regional Director
Directorate of Regulatory Operations
Region III
United States Atomic Energy Commission
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 61073



Dear Mr. Keppler:

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

On February 16, 1974, while performing a routine surveillance test, two outboard MSIV's, AO-2-86B and AO-2-86C, failed to close using the control room handswitch. The redundant MSIV's on the "B" and "C" steam lines were closed and the reactor was brought to a hot standby condition while an investigation was conducted.

It was found that the failures were due to improper operation of the AC solenoids on the MSIV air operators. Further investigation revealed a design deficiency in the AC solenoid plunger. In addition, metal shavings were found in the solenoid manifold. The metal shavings were a result of inadequate manufacturing techniques.

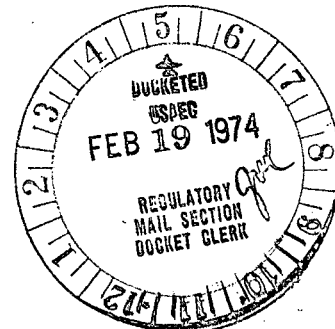
The solenoids and manifolds for all main steam isolation valves were disassembled and cleaned. New plungers of an improved design were installed in all AC solenoids. All MSIV's were demonstrated to function properly prior to returning to power operation.

Yours very truly,

C. E. Larson
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Plant Manager

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cc: J F O'Leary, Directorate of Licensing
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