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### NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

March 15, 1972

Dr. Peter A. Morris
Division of Reactor Licensing
United States Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D C 20545

Dear Dr. Morris:



Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22 Malfunction of RCIC High Steam Flow Isolation Switch

A condition has occurred recently at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant which we interpret to be reportable in accordance with Section 6.6.C.1 of the Technical Specifications. The Region III Compliance office has been notified of this event.

### Summary of Occurrence

On March 1, 1972, while performing a regularly scheduled surveillance test, the trip setting of one of the two RCIC High Steam Flow Isolation switches was found to be  $\sim$  48,600 #/Hr, 3,600 #/Hr above the required trip setting of 45,000 #/Hr.

The instrument was visually inspected and the cause of the failure was found to be excessive free movement (  $\sim 1/16$ ") of a link connection that allowed interference in the meter movement when above 95% of scale.

The corrective action taken on the date of the occurrence consisted of reducing the free movement of the link assembly to an acceptable value, and removing excess metal from the movement connection. The instrument was recalibrated and functionally tested. All similar safety system instruments which have potential for such a malfunction will be inspected for excessive free movement of the linkage.

A Significant Operating Event report has been written for this occurrence and will be made available to the Region III Compliance Inspector for review during his next visit.

Yours very truly,

L. O. Mayer

Director of Nuclear Support Services

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### NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55401

March 28, 1972

Mr. Donald J Skovholt Assistant Director for Reactor Operations Division of Reactor Licensing United States Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D C 20545



Dear Mr. Skovholt:

#### MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT

Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22 Transmittal of Additional Copies of March 9, 1972 and March 15, 1972, Reports

Your letter of March 21, 1972, requested 39 additional copies of our letter dated March 9, 1972, on organization changes within NSP relating to Monticello Nuclear Plant activities. We subsequently mailed a letter to Dr. Peter A Morris dated March 15, 1972, in regard to the malfunction of RCIC high steam flow isolation switch; attached are 39 copies of that letter also.

In accordance with your request, we will provide you with 40 copies of all correspondence other than those for which differing copy requirements are specified in the applicable regulations.

Yours truly,

L O Mayer, P.E.

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Director-Nuclear Support Services

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cc: D E Nelson