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MAPLHGR exposure to 45,000 MWD/STU for one fuel type.

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License Amendment Request Dated January 31, 1989

<u>Extension of MAPLHGR Exposure to 45,000 MWD/STU for One Fuel Type</u>

Attached is a request for a change to the Technical Specifications, Appendix A of the Operating License, for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. This request is submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.90.

In late December 1988, a Monticello nuclear engineer identified that fuel type P8DRB265L could exceed the exposure range for MAPLHGRs provided in Table 3.11.1 of the Technical Specifications. This was recently confirmed by General Electric, who subsequently provided an additional MAPLHGR exposure point (Exhibit D). The need for an additional point should have been identified during the decision to extend the length of the current cycle.

The current exposure range in the Technical Specifications is predicted to be exceeded in June, 1989. Approval of this license amendment request is requested by June 1, 1989 to assure operation within the exposures given in Table 3.11.1. We apologize for this oversight and any incovenience it may have caused.

It is our intention to submit a License Amendment Request in the near future to implement the recommendations contained in NRC Generic Letter 88-16 and remove as many cycle-specific parameters from the Technical Specifications as possible.

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Exhibit A contains a description of the proposed changes, the reasons for requesting the changes and a Safety Evaluation/Determination of Significant Hazards Considerations. Exhibit B contains the pages of the Monticello Technical Specifications marked up with the proposed change. Exhibit C contains the revised Technical Specification page. Exhibit D contains General Electric information supporting the change.

Please contact us if you have any questions related to this request or if additional information is requested to supplement it.

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Affidavit

Exhibit A - Evaluation of Proposed Changes to the Technical Specifications

Exhibit B - Proposed Changes Marked Up on Existing Technical Specification Pages

Exhibit C - Revised Technical Specification Pages

Exhibit D - Errata and Addenda Sheet No. 2 for NEDO-24050-2