

December 7, 1989

Docket No. 50-263

Mr. Thomas M. Parker, Manager  
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Northern States Power Company  
414 Nicollet Mall  
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SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT - STAFF EVALUATION OF RESPONSE TO  
GENERIC LETTER 88-01 (TAC NO. 69146)

Dear Mr. Parker:

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The staff has evaluated the information provided in the above cited letters and determined that your response is acceptable. This issue is considered resolved for Monticello. A copy of our Safety Evaluation is forwarded for your information.

We note that the Monticello Technical Specification 4.6.D.1.a. requires that reactor coolant system leakage rates be recorded at least every four hours. The staff has determined that this frequency may be reduced to once every eight hours. At your option, you may submit an application to amend the Monticello Technical Specifications accordingly.

If you have any questions regarding this issue please contact me (301) 492-1323.

Sincerely,  
*Original signed by*

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