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License Amendment Request Dated December 31, 1992
Revisions to Control Rod Drive Testing Requirements (TAC M85015)

Attached is a request for an amendment 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.

The proposed amendment involves the elimination of an optional alternative to Control Rod Drive testing requirements that has proven difficult to interpret and implement. The remaining portion of the specification, as well as the associated Limiting Condition for Operation, has been rewritten to clarify its intent. The proposed amendment, which is considered administrative in nature, was identified in Licensee Event Report 92-005-00 as a corrective action to preclude future events.

Exhibit A contains a description of the proposed change, the reasons for requesting the change, a Safety Evaluation, a Determination of Significant Hazards Consideration, and an Environmental Assessment. Exhibit B contains the current Technical Specification pages marked up with the proposed change. Exhibit C contains revised Monticello Technical Specification pages.

Please contact us if you require further information related to this request.

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Attachments:

Affidavit to the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Exhibit A - Evaluation of Proposed Change
Exhibit B - Technical Specification pages marked up with

proposed change
Exhibit C - Revised Monticello Technical Specification Pages