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Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance Program

In a letter dated February 16, 1978, from Mr D K Davis, Acting Chief, Operating Reactors Branch No. 2, Division of Operating Reactors, Northern States Power Company was requested to provide additional information concerning the reactor vessel material surveillance program at Monticello. Information we had previously supplied to the NRC Staff in our letters dated July 22, 1977, August 3, 1977 and September 1, 1977 was judged to be inadequate.

As noted in our letter dated August 16, 1978, General Electric is currently engaged in assembling the information requested by the NRC Staff. We stated in that letter that a submittal date of December 1, 1978 was planned.

General Electric has not yet completed the work necessary to provide the Staff with the information they requested. This delay is due to the unavailability of certain information from the vessel vendor and the need to research the records of the plate supplier. While no firm schedule is available at this time for supplying the necessary information, it appears that at least another three months will be required.

We will inform the Commission of any further delays in this work which would cause our schedule to be delayed further. Please contact us if you have any questions related to this matter.

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