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SUBJECT: Discusses actions to be taken re disposition of unresolved  
 App. R exemption requests. Previous request for relief from  
 requirements to upgrade structural steel in fire zone 1C  
 withdrawn.

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Disposition of Unresolved Appendix R Exemption Requests

Reference: (a) Letter from D M Musolf (NSP) to NRR, "Review of Draft Safety Evaluation of Appendix R Exemption Requests", dated February 14, 1983.

Northern States Power Company (NSP) no longer intends to appeal denied exemptions in four remaining areas as identified in reference (a). After discussing proposed alternatives in a working level meeting March 8, 1983 with NRC Staff reviewers and management, NSP has decided to pursue the following course of action for these areas:

1. Fire Zone 1C - RCIC Room: Withdraw exemption request for structural steel. The exposed steel in the ceiling of this room has been determined not to be structural steel.
2. Fire Zone 7C - Division II Battery Room: Protect structural steel to an equivalent 1-hour rating and provide halon suppression.
3. Fire Zone 8 - Cable Spreading Room: Provide alternate shutdown capability in lieu of protecting structural steel.
4. Fire Zone 9 - Control Room: Provide alternate shutdown capability for this area.

The steel in the RCIC Room was used for forming the concrete floor and is not considered in the building's structural analysis. Therefore, NSP respectfully withdraws the previous request for relief from the requirements to upgrade structural steel in Fire Zone 1C.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this request or if we can furnish additional information related to this issue.

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