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SUBJECT: Responds to Generic Ltr 84-01 re NRC use of terms important to safety & safety-related.Meeting between NRC & Steering Committee of Util Safety Classification Group should be arranged to provide clarification of issue.

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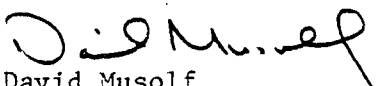
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Response to NRC Generic Letter 84-01
NRC Use of Terms "Important to Safety" and "Safety Related"

Generic Letter 84-01 dated January 5, 1984 stated a number of NRC Staff positions related to use of the terms "important to safety" and "safety related". NRC Staff action in this area continues to be a cause of significant confusion and concern for us.

Northern States Power Company is a member of the Utility Safety Classification Group. We believe that a meeting between the NRC Staff and the Steering Committee of the Utility Safety Classification Group should be arranged in the near future to provide further clarification of this issue. The Utility Group will be contacting Mr James Taylor, Deputy Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement directly to set up this meeting.

Our participation in resolution of this issue will be through the Utility Group and its steering committee.


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