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Response to Generic Letter 90-03,
"Relaxation of Staff Position in Generic Letter 83-28,
Item 2.2 Part 2 'Vendor Interface for Safety-Related Components'"
(Generic Letter No. 90-03)

Attached is our response to Generic Letter 90-03, "Relaxation of Staff Position in Generic Letter 83-28, Item 2.2 Part 2, 'Vendor Interface for Safety-Related Components.'"

Please contact us if you have any questions related to our response.

Thomas M Parker

Manager

Nuclear Support Services

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RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 90-03

Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, with this letter is submitting a response to Generic Letter 90-03.

This letter contains no restricted or other defense information.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

Thomas M Parker

Manager

Nuclear Support Services

Monter 1990 before me a notary public in and for said County, personally appeared Thomas M Parker, Manager Nuclear Support Services, and being first duly sworn acknowledged that he is authorized to execute this document on behalf of Northern States Power Company, that he knows the contents thereof, and that to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief the statements made in it are true and that it is not interposed for delay.

*********************************** MARCIA K LaCORE NOTARY PUBLIC-MINNESOTA HENNEPIN COUNTY

My Commission Expires Sept. 24, 1993 €

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MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT

Attachment

Response to Generic Letter 90-03

"Relaxation of Staff Position in Generic Letter 83-28,

Item 2.2 Part 2 'Vendor Interface for Safety-Related Components'"

(Generic Letter No. 90-03)

In reference to NRC letter dated March 20, 1990 from James G. Partlow, NRC, "Relaxation of Staff Position in Generic Letter 83-28, Item 2.2 Part 2 'Vendor Interface for Safety-Related Components' (Generic Letter No. 90-03)," the following information is provided.

The Generic Letter states that a review of the vendor interface program be completed and programs modified as necessary to assure that both of the elements set out below are met.

The staff has concluded that an adequate vendor interface program should include:

- (a) A program with the NSSS vendor as described in the Vendor Equipment Technical Information Program, which covers all the safety-related components within the NSSS scope of supply. This program should include provisions for assuring receipt by the licensee/applicant of all technical information provided by the NSSS vendor; and
- (b) A program of periodic contact with the vendors of other key safety-related components not included in (a) above.

Response

(a) As stated in the original response to Generic Letter 83-28, Monticello has a program for interfacing with its Nuclear Steam Supply System and electrical switchgear vendor (General Electric). GE has a formal communication system for reporting all recognized safety problems/concerns and for communicating information on both special and generic concerns, problems and recommendations to the plant. Safety concerns are reported through a system that complies with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 21 and through a customer (urgent) communications procedure. Other information is sent to the plant in the form of Service Information Letters, Service Advice Letters and Turbine Information Letters.

The information provided by GE is entered into the plant Operating Experience Assessment Program which assures procedures and instructions for design, maintenance or modification work performed on safety-related equipment are updated as necessary. An index is provided by GE of documents they have distributed which is reviewed to verify receipt of all applicable documents.

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(b) The program of periodic contact with the vendors of other key safetyrelated components not included in (a), consists of a surveillance test,
currently under development, to be performed on an annual frequency,
which contains a comprehensive list of vendors of key, safety-related
components, a vendor contact name and telephone number. Initial contact
has been made with all vendors identified and review and approval of the
surveillance procedure will be completed by November 30, 1990.