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In the Matter of NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, Unit 1) Docket No. <u>50-263</u>

Gentlemen:

NRC FORM 318 (9-76) NRCM 0240

Enclosed for your information, as it may relate to MPCA Contention B.1, are copies of the following three transmittals (copies of which have previously been sent to the parties):

- A letter dated September 15, 1977 from Don K. Davis of the Staff to L. O. Mayer of the Licensee, setting forth the Staff's position that "steps should be taken to minimize stress corrosion cracking in BWR piping systems."
- 2. NUREG-0313, "Technical Report on Material Selection and Processing Guidelines for BWR Coolant Pressure Boundary Piping," which was attached to the September 15, 1977 letter and provides the details of the Staff's position.
- 3. The Licensee's request for a change to the Technical Specifications, dated January 18, 1978, in response to the Staff's position in NUREG-0313.

Upon 4ths completion, the Staff will forward to you the action taken on the Technical Specifications change request.

Sincerely,

Stephen H. Lewis Councsel for NRC Staff

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