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Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. Arthur V. Dienhart
Vice President, Engineering
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Gentlemen:

We have received the "Environmental Report" discussing environmental considerations related to the operation of the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. A related notice, which is being transmitted to the Office of the Federal Register, is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Roger S. Boyd

Roger S. Boyd, Assistant Director for Boiling Water Reactors Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosure: Federal Register Notice

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FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE

Two signed originals of a Federal Register Notice and accompanying summary statement identified as follows are enclosed for your transmittal to the Office of the Federal Register for filing and publication:

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF APPLICANT'S ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

Twelve additional conformed copies of the notice and one copy of the summary statement are enclosed for your use.

> Original signed by Donald F. Knuth

Donald F. Knuth, Chief Boiling Water Reactor Br. No. 1 Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosure: As stated

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Minnesota State Planning Agency **ENVIRON** Suite 603 550 Cedar Street St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Gentlemen:

The document identified below which has been submitted in connection with Northern States Power Company's license to operate the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant is enclosed.

This information is to be made available to Federal, State and local officials and the public in accordance with procedures set out in the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-95 (Revised), and the Commission's regulations in Appendix D of 10 CFR Part 50.

We appreciate your assistance in making these documents available to the public.

Sincerely.

Original Signed by Roger S. Boyd

Roger S. Boyd, Assistant Director for Boiling Water Reactors Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosure: Northern States Power Company -Environmental Report, dated 11/3/71

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UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 50-263

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF APPLICANT'S ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Atomic Energy Commission's regulations in Appendix D to 10 CFR Part 50, notice is hereby given that a report entitled "Environmental Report", dated November 3, 1971, by the Northern States Power Company is being placed in the Commission's Public Document Room at 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., and in the Environmental Resource Center, Minneapolis Public Library, 1222 S.E. 4th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414.

The report is also being made available to the public at the office of the Minnesota State Planning Agency, Suite 603, 550 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

This report discusses environmental considerations related to the operation of the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant located in Wright and Sherburne Counties, Minnesota. After the report has been analyzed by the Commission's Director of Regulation or his designee, a draft detailed statement of environmental considerations related to the proposed action will be prepared. Upon preparation of the draft detailed statement, the Commission will, among other things, cause to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER a summary notice of availability of the draft detailed

statement. The summary notice will request comments from interested persons on the proposed action and on the draft statement. The summary notice will also contain a statement to the effect that the comments of Federal agencies and State and local officials thereon will be available when received.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this // th day of January, 1972.

FOR THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

Roger S. Boyd, Assistant Director for Boiling Water Reactors Division of Reactor Licensing