Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. L. R. Eliason
Vice President, Nuclear
Generation
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Dear Mr. Eliason:

NRC Region III has received the enclosed Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) letter dated June 3, 1992, and the associated final report for the November 1991 announced, daytime exercise of the offsite radiological emergency response plans for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Station. The State of Minnesota and the Counties of Sherburne and Wright fully participated in this exercise.

FEMA identified one deficiency and two Areas Requiring Corrective Actions (ARCAs) during the exercise. On March 26, 1992, the state demonstrated that the deficiency had been corrected during a remedial demonstration. However, two additional ARCAs were identified during the March 1992 remedial. FEMA determined that offsite radiological emergency response plans and preparedness are adequate to provide reasonable assurance that appropriate measures can be taken offsite to protect the public's health and safety in the event of a radiological emergency at the Monticello Station. As a result, the approval of offsite radiological emergency response plans for the Monticello Station will remain in effect, in accordance with FEMA Rule Title 44 CFR Part 350.

You are requested to interact with offsite officials to resolve any outstanding concerns identified by FEMA.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

"Original signed by J. W. McCormick-Barger"

J. W. McCormick-Barger, Chief Emergency Preparedness and Non-Power Reactor Section

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Enclosures: As Stated

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