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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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LICENSEE: Northern States Power Company of Minnesota (NSPM)
FACILITY: Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
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Members of the public were in attendance. No portion of this meeting was closed to the public because no proprietary information or security-related information was used by the participants. Before the meeting adjourned, all participants were given the opportunity to comment on any aspects of the meeting. No comment or feedback was provided.

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Docket No. 50-263

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MEETING BETWEEN NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC)

AND NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY OF MINNESOTA

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT

FUTURE AMENDMENT RE. AREVA ATRIUM 10 XM FUEL

JULY 10, 2012

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