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Mr. Jim Lynch Site Vice President Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Northern States Power Company, Minnesota 1717 Wakonade Drive East Welch, MN 55089

SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 NRC EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 05000282/2012501; 05000306/2012501; AND 05000282/2012502; 05000306/2012502

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