

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
DOCKET NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306
NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITY
OPERATING LICENSES

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment Nos. 38 and 32 to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60, issued to the Northern States Power Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of Unit Nos. 1 and 2 of the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (the facilities) located in Goodhue County, Minnesota. The amendments are effective as of their date of issuance.

These amendments incorporate new definitions, limiting conditions for operation and surveillance requirements associated with the reactor cooling system overpressure protection system.

The application for the amendments complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendments. Prior public notice of these amendments was not required since the amendments do not involve a significant hazards consideration.

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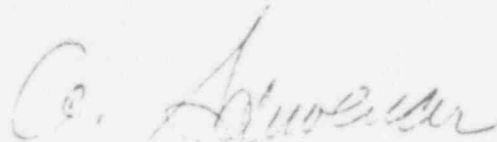
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The Commission has determined that the issuance of these amendments will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of these amendments.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendments dated August 4, 1978, (2) Amendment Nos. 38 and 32 to License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60, respectively and (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. and at the Environmental Conservation Library of the Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401. A copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 3rd day of August, 1979.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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