UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKETS 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. 41 and 35 to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60,
issued to Northern States Power Company (the licensee), for operation of Units

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 changes to the Common Environmental Technical Specifications appended to each license. The reporting requirement regarding blowdown flow over 150 cfs is changed from an event basis to an annual basis and the fish impingement sampling frequency is changed from weekly to biweekly.

The applications for amendment comply 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 rules and 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.

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 applications for

amendments dated June 25, 1976 and February 20, 1978, and (2) Amendment Nos. 41 and 35 to Licenses Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60, respectively.

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 single 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.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 29th day of February, 1980.

FOR THE NUGLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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