Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson Vice President Nuclear Generation 414 Nicolett Mall Minneapolis, MN 55401

Gentlemen:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received an allegation concerning activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Station (RIII-89-A-118). Details of this allegation are enclosed for your review and followup.

We request that the results of your review and disposition of this matter be submitted to Region III within 60 days of the date of this letter. We request that your response contain no personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so it can be released to the public and placed in the NRC Public Document Room. If necessary, such information shall be contained in a separate attachment which will be withheld from public disclosure and the affidavit required by 10 CFR 2.750(b) must accompany your response.

The enclosure to this letter should be controlled and distribution limited to personnel with a "need to know" until your investigation of the allegation has been completed and reviewed by NRC Region III. The enclosure to this letter is considered as Exempt from Public Disclosure in accordance with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2.790(a). However, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, excluding the enclosure, will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying enclosure are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated. We will gladly discuss any questions you may have concerning this information.

Sincerely,

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Charles E. Norelius, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Allegation Details (Enclosure Contains 10 CFR 2.790(a) Information)

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