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Northern States Power Company ATTN: Mr. L. O. Mayer Manager of Nuclear Support Services 414 Nicollet Mall - 8th Floor Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Gentlemen:

We have received a copy of your application dated April 24, 1981, which was filed with the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (ONRR) for review. This application related to the deletion of certain Environmental Technical Specifications for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Units 1 and 2. A Class II fee (\$1,200) and a Class I fee (\$400) were remitted with your application.

It has been ditermined that fees should not be charged for the deletion of non-radiological aquatic LCO's and other non-radiological monitoring requirements in cases where licensees have an effective NPDES permit. On this basis, we have concluded that an exemption, pursuant to 10 CFR 170.11(b), from the fee requirements is authorized by law and such exemption is otherwise in the public interest and is hereby granted for your April 24, 1981 application. Therefore, we have concurrently authorized the Office of the Controller to refund you the \$1,600 paid with your application. Refunds are generally processed by the Office of the Controller within a two-week period.

Sincerely,

Bigned, D. James Holloway, Jr.

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