

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONDOCKET NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANYNOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITYOPERATING LICENSES AND GRANTING OF RELIEFFROM ASME SECTION XI INSERVICE TESTING REQUIREMENTS

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 60 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-42, and Amendment No. 54 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-60 issued to Northern States Power Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications (TSs) for operation of Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (the facilities) located in Goodhue County, Minnesota. The amendments are effective as of the date of issuance.

The amendments incorporate the provisions of the approved inservice testing program into the common TSs for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Unit Nos. 1 and 2.

By letter dated January 4, 1983, as supported by the related Safety Evaluation, the Commission has also granted to the licensee relief from certain requirements of the ASME Code, Section XI, "Rules for Inservice Inspection of Nuclear Power Plant Components". The relief relates to the inservice testing program for the facilities. The ASME Code requirements are incorporated by reference into the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Part 50. The relief is effective as of its date of issuance.

The applications for the amendments and requests for relief 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 and letter granting relief. Prior public notice of these amendments was not required since the amendments do not involve a significant hazards consideration.

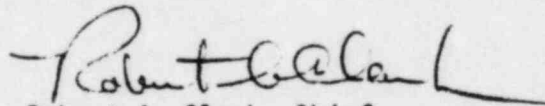
The Commission has determined that the issuance of these amendments and the granting of this relief will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be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

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the licensee's filings dated October 15, 1976, October 12, 1977, February 1, 1978, September 15, 1978, June 8, 1980, September 3, 1980, July 31, 1981, and December 23, 1981, (2) Amendment Nos. 60 and 54 to License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60, (3) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated January 4, 1983, and (4) 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, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401. A copy of items (2), (3) and (4) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Licensing.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 4th day of January, 1983.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert A. Clark".

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