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Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson
Director of Nuclear
Generation
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safeguards inspection conducted by Mr. J. R. Kniceley of this office on October 4-8, 1982, of activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. W. Shamba and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in non-compliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix. With respect to item 2, the inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified noncompliance and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to this item of noncompliance is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

Regarding the remaining items (items 1 and 3), a written response is required.

Areas examined during this inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 73.21(c)(2), Part 73, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. This information must be handled and protected in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter, our report of this inspection, and your response to the noncompliance identified in the enclosure to this letter will not be placed in the Public Document Room. Therefore, your statement of corrective action regarding the noncompliance identified in the enclosure should be submitted as a separate enclosure to your transmittal letter in the manner prescribed.

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Based on discussions with your representatives during the exit meeting October 8, 1982, we understand you will revise your security plan as indicated in section 2 of this report. If your understanding of this commitment differs from ours please notify us.

The responses directed by this letter (and the accompanying Notice) 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.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by J. R. Miller

J. R. Miller, Chief
Technical Inspection Branch

Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix, Notice of Violation
- 2. Inspection Report No. 50-263/82-13(DETP)
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