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Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. Dennis E. Gilberts
Senior Vice President
Power Supply
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the safety inspection conducted by Messrs. P. C. Lovendale and W. B. Grant of this office on September 27-30, October 12-13, and October 22, 1982, of activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Messrs. C. Larson, L. Eliason and others 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. The inspection included a review of unplanned exposures, within regulatory limits, to two workers.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in non-compliance with NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Appendix. A written response is required. As discussed in the management meeting conducted on October 22, 1982, at the Monticello plant, we are concerned that the effectiveness of your radiation protection program may be decreasing. Your corrective actions for the identified noncompliance should include consideration of the effectiveness of your management controls in this area.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you (or your contractors) believe to be exempt from disclosure under 10 CFR 9.5(a)(4), it is necessary that you (a) notify this office by telephone within ten (10) days from the date of this letter of your intention

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to file a request for withholding; and (b) submit within twenty-five (25) days from the date of this letter a written application to this office to withhold such information. If your receipt of this letter has been delayed such that less than seven (7) days are available for your review, please notify this office promptly so that a new due date may be established. Consistent with Section 2.790(b)(1), any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a full statement of the reasons which are the bases for the claim that the information should be withheld from public disclosure. This section further requires the statement to address with specificity the considerations listed in 10 CFR 2.790(b)(4). The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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 C. E. Norelius"

C. E. Norelius, Director
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Technical Programs

Enclosures:

1. Appendix, Notice
of Violation
2. Inspection Report
No. 50-263/82-11(DETP)

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