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Facility: Northern States Power Company
Monticello Nuclear Plant
Docket No. 50-263
Monticello, MN 55362

Licensee Emergency Classification:
____ Notification of Unusual Event
____ Alert
____ Site Area Emergency
____ General Emergency
XXX Not Applicable

Subject: SHUTDOWN FOR BEARING REPAIR ON THE TURBINE GENERATOR

The unit is expected to be shut down for four to five days for repair of the #5 and #9 bearings on the turbine generator. The reactor was placed in cold shutdown December 27, 1982, after the turbine generator developed a high vibration reading on these bearings. The licensee will also repair a block valve on the "A" main feedwater line while the unit is shut down.

Region III (Chicago) will monitor the licensee's repair effort.

The State of Minnesota will be notified.

The licensee will issue a routine plant status report to the news media, citing the shutdown.

Region III was notified of the event at 6:00 a.m. (CST) on December 27, 1982. This information is current as of 9:00 a.m. (CST) on December 28, 1982.

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