

March 21, 1983

Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson
Director of Nuclear
Generation
414 Nicollet Mall
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. J. P. Patterson and M. P. Phillips of this office on February 22-24, 1983, of activities at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Messrs. L. Eliason, W. Shamlala, and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection. It also refers to the March 8, 1983 telephone conversation between Mr. G. Goering of your staff and Mr. W. Axelson of our office.

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.

No items of noncompliance with NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

From the above telephone conversation we understand that dose assessment will be conducted at the permanent Emergency Operations Facility (EOF) pursuant to the schedule established in response to generic letter 82-33. In the interim dose assessment mechanics will continue to be performed in the Technical Support Center (TSC). The Staff fully expects the dose assessment function to be transferred to the EOF during an emergency as soon as practicable.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure(s) will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application

must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1). If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Inspection
Report No. 50-263/83-05(DRMS)

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