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Docket No. 50-263

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

This refers to the special safety inspection conducted during the period January 10 through February 15, 1983, of activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22. The results of the inspection were discussed during an enforcement conference conducted at the NRC Region III office on February 18, 1983. The report setting forth the results of the inspection and the enforcement conference is enclosed.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure 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.

A separate letter is enclosed that sets forth certain matters of concern and the items of noncompliance found during these inspections. The responses directed by this letter 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.

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

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
James G. Keppler

James G. Keppler  
Regional Administrator

Enclosure: Inspection Report  
No. 50-263/83-01(D<sup>DRP</sup>)

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