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Docket No. 50-306

Northern States Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. L. R. Eliason  
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Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the special safety inspection conducted by Messrs. M. J. Kopp and G. M. Hausman and others of this office during April 8-12, 1991. During this inspection, we evaluated activities at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2, authorized by NRC Operating Licenses No. DPR-42 and No. DPR-60. We discussed our inspection findings with Mr. J. Hill and others of your staff on April 30, 1991.

The purpose of this inspection was to review your actions about a previously identified environmental qualification concern and to review the implementation of commitments pertaining to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.97.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, we selectively examined procedures and representative records, made observations, and conducted interviews with your personnel.

During the inspection, we did not identify any violations of NRC requirements.

In accordance with 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, we are sending a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report to the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

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