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Mr James G Keppler Regional Administrator U S Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Dear Mr Keppler:

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
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50-282 DPR-42
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This is in response to our meeting of September 21, 1983 with members of your staff and representatives of NRR regarding the Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) of Prairie Island and Monticello for the period July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983.

As always, this proved to be a very useful and enlightening meeting for us. We believe that the SALP process is helpful in our efforts to achieve excellence in that it provides a wide-range review of how the various NRC professionals view all aspects of our operations.

We naturally were pleased that many of the categories were evaluated as meriting reduced NRC attention in the upcoming period. However, perhaps of even more significance were our discussions regarding categories where we were rated as meriting normal attention. By focusing on these areas and the factors which enter into the rating, we gained valuable insights into how we might improve our performance.

Again, I wish to assure you that our goal is excellence in all phases of our operation and that both the NRC and NSP share the common goal of seeing that we reach and maintain that level.

Yours truly,

D E Gilberts

Senior Vice President

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