

August 25, 1995

Mr. Roger O. Anderson, Director  
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SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT - APPROVAL OF RELIEF REQUESTS  
FOR VALVE INSERVICE TESTING (TAC NO. M91872)

Dear Mr. Anderson:

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The staff has concluded that the Relief Requests RSW-1 and NB-1 are acceptable. Details of our review are provided in the enclosed safety evaluation and, as set forth in that safety evaluation, the requests are granted. This action closes TAC No. M91872. If you have any questions concerning this action please call T.J. Kim of my staff at (301) 415-1392.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Tae Kim for

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-263

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation

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