

October 12, 1995

Mr. E. Watzl, Vice President
Nuclear Generation
Northern States Power Company
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR) - PRAIRIE ISLAND

Dear Mr. Watzl:

On September 6, 1995, NRC Region III management and staff completed the semiannual Plant Performance Review (PPR) of Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. The Region conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by regional management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The PPR for Prairie Island involved the participation of all Region III technical divisions as well as responsible NRR staff, in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period from March 1995 through August 1995. PPRs provide regional management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and senior management meeting (SMM) reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Prairie Island PPR review. The information is provided to enable appropriate consideration of the resource impact on your staff, and to permit scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. The enclosure details our inspection plan for approximately the next 6 months. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the "Core" inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reason for emphasis in these program areas. Resident inspections, as well as periodic inspections by other assigned members of our site focus group, may occur at any time in support of the Core inspection program.

We are interested in feedback on this program, including the need for any changes in the inspection plan, and we invite your questions or comments. If changes are necessary, you will be informed. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Michael Jordan at 708-829-9637.

Sincerely,

W. L. Axelson, Director
Division of Reactor Projects

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Enclosure: Inspection Plan

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PRAIRIE ISLAND
INSPECTION PLAN

INSPECTION	TITLE/ PROGRAM AREA	NUMBER OF INSPECTORS	PLANNED INSPECTION DATES	TYPE OF INSPECTION - COMMENTS
IP 71001	OPERATOR REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM - OPERATIONS	2	10/23-27/95	CORE INSPECTION
IP 37550	ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT - ENGR	2	10/30-11/20/95 (2 weeks on site)	CORE PROGRAM
IP 82701	OPERATIONAL STATUS OF EP PROGRAM	2	12/11-15/95	CORE INSPECTION
IP 81700	PHYSICAL SECURITY - PLT SUPPORT	1	11/13-17/95	CORE INSPECTION
IP 73753	INSERVICE INSPECTION - MAINTENANCE	1	REFUELING OUTAGE	CORE INSPECTION
IP 83750; IP 84750	OCCUPATIONAL RADIATION EXPOSURE/RADWASTE EFFLUENT	2	1/22-26/96	CORE INSPECTION
IP 40501	OVERSIGHT OF LICENSEE SERVICE WATER SELF ASSESSMENT - ENGINEERING	3	12/4-8/95 (licensee schedule)	OVERSIGHT OF LICENSEE SELF ASSESSMENT

Enclosure

IP - Inspection Procedure
 TI - Temporary Instruction
 Core Inspection - Minimum NRC Program (mandatory all plants)