

July 26, 1984

Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson
Director of Nuclear
Generation
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. W. B. Grant and Ms. N. A. Nicholson of this office on June 25-29, 1984, of activities at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Station authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. W. Shamlala and others at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, independent measurements, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Appendix. A written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosures 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, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter (and the accompanying Notice) 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.

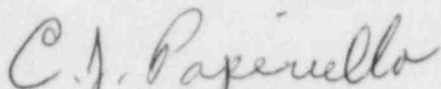
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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely



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Emergency Preparedness and
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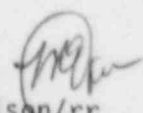
Enclosures:

1. Appendix, Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report No. 50-263/84-14(DRSS)

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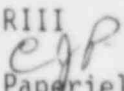
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