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Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson
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Generation
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Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 25, 1984 which transmitted changes to the Northern States Power Company's Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Emergency Plan (Revision 4).

We have completed our review of the submitted changes and have determined that they are consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.54(q) and do not decrease the effectiveness of the plan. However, we note that Section 8.1.2, Exercises, Drills, and Tests, does not address Radiological Monitoring Drills as described in NUREG-0654, N.2.d. We recommend that your next plan revision include a description of plant environs and radiological monitoring drills (onsite and offsite). In addition, we note that Section 8.1.2 of the Emergency Plan does not address the 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix E, IV.E.9.d. requirement for monthly communications checks with the NRC. Although the Corporate Nuclear Emergency Plan briefly described these checks, we recommend that a description of the checks be included in your next site plan revision.

Please be reminded that 10 CFR 50.54(q) requires NRC approval of any changes to your plan which may decrease the effectiveness of the plan. However, if your safety review indicates no decrease in emergency preparedness effectiveness, then changes can be made without prior NRC approval. In all cases,

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you must furnish copies of each proposed change to the NRC in accordance with 10 CFR 50.54(q). Also, any changes to the Emergency Plan Implementing Procedures should be made in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix E, Section V (Implementing Procedures).

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commissions regulations, a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Dr. William B. Gloersen of my staff at (312) 790-5582.

Sincerely,

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