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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 special safety inspection conducted by Mr. K. D. Ward of this office on May 29-31, July 2-3, and August 31, 1984, of activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. W. A. Shamla and others of your staff 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, and interviews with personnel.

No items of noncompliance with NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure(s) 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 and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

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Sincerely,

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W. S. Little, Chief Engineering Branch

Enclosure: Inspection Report No. 50-263/84-13(RDS)

cc w/encl: W. A. Shamla, Plant Manager DMB/Document Control Desk (RIDS) Resident Inspector, RIII Monticello Resident Inspector, RIII Prairie Island John W. Ferman, Ph.D., Nuclear Engineer, MPCA

