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Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. W. A. Shamla
Plant Manager
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
Monticello, Minnesota 55362

Dear Mr. Shamla:

SUBJECT: CERTIFICATES FOR REACTOR OPERATORS AND SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS

In October 1982 the Commission approved a new NRC practice of issuing certificates suitable for framing to licensed Reactor Operators and Senior Reactor Operators. The certificates are in addition to the NRC letter authorizing the performance of licensed duties and are intended to emphasize the Commission conviction that obtaining an RO or SRO license constitutes a significant technical achievement. By acknowledging that achievement in a certificate, the Commission hopes to advance the feelings of professionalism and pride which are rightfully associated with these very important positions.

We are pleased to forward the enclosed ratificates to you. We request that you present them to the licensed ators and extend our congratulations on their accomplishments.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by R. L. Spessard"

R. L. Spessard, Director Division of Engineering

Enclosures: Certificates

cc w/o encls: C. E. Larson, Drector of Nuclear Generation Licensees Resident Inspector, RIII

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