September 15, 1992

Docket No.: 50-282 and 50-306

Mr. Thomas M. Parker, Manager Nuclear Support Services Northern States Power Company 414 Nicollet Mall Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Dear Mr. Parker:

SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND, UNIT 1 - RESPONSE TO NRC BULLETIN 88-11 (TAC NO. M72157)

Our letter of December 20, 1991, forwarded our Safety Evaluation on WCAP-12639. The letter stated that you had fulfilled the requirements in responding to Bulletin 88-11 for Prairie Island, Unit 2 and that the review for Prairie Island, Unit 1 was orgoing. We have since completed the Unit 1 review. Our Safety Evaluation for Unit 1 is attached.

Based on our review, we conclude that Northern States Power (NSF) leakbefore-break (LBB) analysis of the Unit 1 pressurizer surge 'ine complies with General Design Criteria 4 and, therefore, is acceptable. Our conclusion is conditioned on NSP's commitment to remove the whip restraints during the 1992 refueling outage. Once the whip restraints are removed, the surge line satisfies NRC Bulletin 88-11. Only at that time can NSP take credit for LBB on the surge line.

This completes our review of your Bulletin 88-11 responses. You may contact me on (301) 504-3024 if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely, Original signed by Marsha Gamberoni, Acting Project Manager Project Directorate III-1 Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V Office of the Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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