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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20545

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-130

PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE AMENDMENT

License No. DPR-11 Amendment No. 3

The Atomic Energy Commission having found that:

- a. The application for license amendment dated February 12, 1965, as amended March 5, 1965 and April 28, 1965, complies with the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations set forth in Title 10, Chapter 1, CFR;
- There is reasonable assurance that (i) the reactor can be operated at steady state power levels not in excess of 190 megawatts thermal in accordance with this license, as amended, without endangering the health and safety of the public and (ii) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Commission;
- c. The licensee is technically and financially qualified to engage in the activities authorized by this license, as amended, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission;
- d. The licensee has furnished proof of financial protection to satisfy the requirements of 10 CFR, Part 140; and
- e. The issuance of this license, as amended, will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public;

Facility License No. DPR-11, as amended, which authorizes Northern States Power Company to operate the Pathfinder nuclear reactor located near Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is hereby further amended in accordance with the application by amending subparagraph 3.A. in its entirety to read:

"3.A. Operation of the reactor may proceed in accordance with the power ascension program described in Northern States' letter dated July 12, 1965, in the following increments of power - 20, 40 and 100 megawatts (thermal), and thereafter at steady state power levels up to a maximum of 190 megawatts (thermal), providing that Northern States furnishes proof of financial protection and receives notice of amendment of Indemnity Agreement No. B-27 prior to attaining each level of operation."

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This amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

FOR THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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R. L. Doan, Director Division of Reactor Licensing

Date of Issuance;