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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-263

NODICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMFNDMENT TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE

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Sincerely,

Samuel J. Chilk Secretary of the Commission

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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 30 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-22, issued to Northern States Power Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (the facility) located in Wright County, Minnasota. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment modified the existing Monticello Technical Specifications to revise the Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio limits in response to a correction of the model used and to correct an editorial mistake in a previously issued license amendment.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

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The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated July 29, 1977, (2) Amendment No. 30 to License No. DPR-22, and (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at The Environmental Conservation Library, Minneapolis Public Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401. A single copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 28th day of September, 1977.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Don K. Davis, Acting Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Operating Reactors

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