## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

(Monticello Nuclear Generating )

Plant)

Docket No. 50-263

## NOTICE AND ORDER SCHEDULING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the Commission's "Notice of Hearing on a Facility Operating License", dated December 19, 1972, and published in the Federal Register on December 27, 1972 (37 F. R. 28544), a Prehearing Conference will be held in the above-captioned proceeding on Wednesday, March 28, 1973, at 10:00 am, local time, in Courtroom 4, U. S. Federal Court House, 316 North Roberts Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

The Prehearing Conference shall deal with the following matters:

 Further identification and clarification of the issues.

2. The status of any discovery initiated by the parties.

- 3. The need for further discovery, and the time required to complete preparation for the Evidentiary Hearing.
- 4. Any pending motions.
- 5. Scheduling of the Evidentiary Hearing.

The attorneys for the respective parties are directed to corfer in advance of the Prehearing Conference, in such manner as they deem appropriate, and to report to the Licensing Board at said Conference on any stipulations regarding matters in controversy, on any informal discovery that can be arranged between the parties, and on any other mutually agreeable procedures to expedite this proceeding.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the Prehearing Conference. However, no evidence will be received at the Prehearing Conference on March 28, 1973, which will consist of a Conference of Counsel for the various parties with the Board to develop procedures for the Evidentiary Hearing will will be scheduled for a later date. Members of the public are invited to attend

the Evidentiary Hearing, at which time statements of persons making limited appearances will be received.

Notice of the date of the commencement of the Evidentiary Hearing will be given, both by publication in the Federal Register and by Notice sent by mail directly to all members of the public who have requested to be so notified.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Robert M. Lazo, Chairman

Issued at Washington, D. C., this 5th day of March, 1973.