

Docket No. 50-263

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Mrs. Dorothy E. Gilbert  
2544 Tenth Avenue, South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55404

Dear Mrs. Gilbert:

Thank you for writing in regard to the Monticello Nuclear Power Plant owned by Northern States Power Company.

As you may know, this facility was built under a construction permit issued by the AEC following a safety review by our technical staff, a separate evaluation by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, and a public hearing conducted by a three-man Atomic Safety and Licensing Board.

The regulatory staff and the ACRS have reviewed the company's application for an operating license and have concluded that the facility can be operated without undue risk to the public. The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board issued an initial decision authorizing issuance of the operating license on January 15, 1971. The license was issued on January 19, 1971. (See the enclosed public announcement).

I am enclosing a booklet, "Licensing of Power Reactors," which explains our program for protecting the health and safety of the public. Additional information regarding standards for radioactivity releases to the environment is provided in the enclosed hearings of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. The statements and testimony of AEC witnesses begins on page 83 of the print.

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As requested in your letter, the AEC Commissioners and their addresses are as follows:

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U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20545

Commissioner James T. Ramey  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20545

Commissioner Wilfrid E. Johnson  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20545

Commissioner Clarence E. Larson  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20545

Sincerely,

Peter A. Morris, Director  
Division of Reactor Licensing

Enclosures:

1. Public Announcement
2. "Licensing of Power Reactors"
3. JCAE Print I

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