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Docket No. 50-282
Docket No. 50-306
EA 89-135

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson
Vice President, Nuclear
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Gentlemen:

This confirms our plans as discussed between Mr. Bruce Burgess of this office and Mr. K. Beadell of your staff on June 29, 1989, to conduct an Enforcement Conference at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 13, 1989, at the Region III Office in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. The purpose of the Enforcement Conference is to discuss the apparent violations concerning inadequate dedication of commercial grade material installed in safety related applications.

This letter also refers to the meeting held on June 8, 1989, at the Region III Office between Mr. K. M. Beadell and others of your staff and Mr. W. L. Axelson and members of this office in regard to the activities you had taken to resolve the use of several components which were purchased as commercial grade and subsequently installed in safety related applications at your Prairie Island Nuclear Power Plant. This meeting was held as a result of the findings identified in the Vendor Branch Inspection Report Nos. 50-282/88200, 50-306/88200.

The enclosed copy of our report of this meeting identifies those matters discussed during the meeting.

At the Enforcement Conference, you should be prepared to discuss the following topics:

1. What controls have been established to ensure that components installed in safety related applications conform with the requirements of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, whether purchased as safety related or commercial grade.
2. What actions you have taken to ensure that the components purchased as commercial grade and identified on pages 4-6 of the above Vendor Branch Inspection Report conform with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, for utilization in safety related applications. You should also be prepared to discuss when these actions were taken, and the final determinations made for those items which were still "indeterminate" at the time of our June 8, 1989, meeting.

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3. For the equipment which was determined to have been unsuitable or indeterminate as of our June 8, 1989, meeting (items b, c, d, f, g, h, i, and j as described on pages 4-6 of the Vendor Branch Inspection Report), what would have been the effect on the associated system's safety functions if the component should fail during required use.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this meeting.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY HUBERT J. MILLER

Hubert J. Miller, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure: Meeting Reports
No. 50-282/89019(DRS);
No. 50-306/89019(DRS)

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NOTICE OF SIGNIFICANT LICENSEE MEETING

Name of Licensee: Northern States Power Company

Name of Facility: Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant

Docket No: 50-282; 50-306

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, July 13, 1989 at 10:00 P.M. (CST)

Location of Meeting: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III Office
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Purpose of Meeting: Enforcement Conference to discuss the apparent violations concerning inadequate dedication of commercial grade material installed in safety related applications.

RIII Attendees:

A. B. Davis, Regional Administrator
H. J. Miller, Director, Division of Reactor Safety
M. J. Phillips, Chief, Operational Programs Section
Others as designated by Region III

Licensee Attendees:

L. Eliason, General Manager Nuclear Plants
E. Watzl, Plant Manager, Prairie Island
D. Mendele, General Superintendent, Plant Engineering and Radiation Protection
D. Beadell, Superintendent, Technical Engineering
Others as designated by the Licensee

NOTE: Attendance at this meeting by NRC personnel should be made known to B. L. Burgess via telephone call (FTS 388-5698) by COB July 10, 1989.

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