

December 2, 1999

Mr. M. Wadley
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Northern States Power Company
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

SUBJECT: OPERATOR LICENSING REQUALIFICATION INSPECTION
REPORT 50-282/99018(DRS); 50-306/99018(DRS)

Dear Mr. Wadley:

This refers to the biennial inspection of the licensed operator requalification training program conducted on November 1 through 5, 1999, at your Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2. The results of this inspection were discussed with Mr. J. Sorensen and other members of your staff on October 28, 1999. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

This inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC identified one issue of low safety significance that was entered into your corrective action program and is discussed in the enclosed report. This issue was determined to involve a violation of NRC requirements; however, because of its low safety significance, the violation was not cited. If you contest this noncited violation, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001 with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III; the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Prairie Island facility.

No safety significant findings were identified.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,



David E. Hills, Chief
Operations Branch

Docket Nos. 50-282; 50-306
License Nos. DPR-42; DPR-60

Enclosures: 1. Inspection Report 50-282/99018(DRS); 50-306/99018(DRS)
2. Simulation Facility Report

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