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August 9, 2011

Mr. Mark A. Schimmel
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Northern States Power Company, Minnesota
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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2
NRC SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000282/2011404(DRS);
05000306/2011404(DRS)

Dear Mr. Schimmel:

On July 22, 2011, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on July 22, 2011, with Mr. M. Milly and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

Based on the results of the inspection, no findings of significance were identified.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

/RA by Donald Funk Acting for/

Richard A. Skokowski, Chief
Plant Support Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

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