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Ltr. ref. MSP's 1-27-67 submittal..... and hereby req., pursuant to Section 50.12, an exemption fm the provisions of Section 50.10(b), to permit the conduct of the work described in the 1-27-67 letter prior to the issuance of a construction permit.....		REFERRED TO		DATE		DATE	
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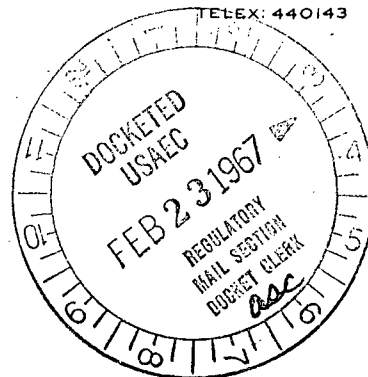
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In the Matter of Northern States
Power Company
Docket No. 50-263
Regulatory Suppl File Cy.

Dear Doctor Morris:

On January 27, 1967, Mr. Donald E. Nelson, Vice President and General Counsel of Northern States Power Company submitted to you a request for an opinion of the General Counsel with respect to certain work which Northern States Power Company proposes to undertake prior to the issuance of an AEC construction permit in connection with the Monticello nuclear generating plant. The details of the proposed work are described in the January 27 letter.

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request on behalf of the applicant, pursuant to Section 50.12 of the AEC Regulations, an exemption from the provisions of Section 50.10 (b), to the extent that such an exemption is required, to permit the conduct of the work described in the January 27 letter prior to the issuance of a construction permit. The commencement of the work on or about March 1st is necessary in order to assure the availability of the Monticello plant for commercial production of electric energy on schedule, and is, therefore, in the public interest. The granting of the exemption will not endanger the health and safety of the public and will not be inimical to the common defense and security.

The need for the availability of the Monticello nuclear generating plant in May, 1970 as part of the Northern States Power Company system is described in the attachment to the letter from Mr. D. F. McElroy to Mr. Harold O. Price, dated November 15, 1966, which proposed a schedule of information submittals and meetings in order to facilitate the issuance of a construction permit on schedule.

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In view of the public interest to be served by assuring the availability of the Monticello nuclear generating plant in May, 1970, it is requested that an exemption be granted, as required, to permit the commencement of the work described in the January 27 letter on or about March 1, 1967.

Very truly yours,

SHAW, PITTMAN, POTTS,
TROWBRIDGE & MADDEN

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