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Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant,  
Units 1 and 2  
Dockets 50-282, 50-306  
Renewed License Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
Docket 50-263  
Renewed License No. DPR-22

Operator Examination Data

As requested by NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2012-07, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations", dated June 8, 2012, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, hereby submits the operator licensing examination data for calendar years 2014 through 2017 for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant and Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. Enclosed are the corresponding NRC Form 536s for each site which provide the estimated number of applicants to be tested and the proposed primary and alternate dates for the examinations.

Regulatory Commitments

This letter makes no new commitments or changes to any existing commitments.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paula K. Anderson'.

Paula K. Anderson  
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Northern States Power Company - Minnesota

Enclosure

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## **ENCLOSURE**

Operator Licensing Examination Data for Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant and  
Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2

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<b>NRC FORM 536</b> (9-2011)	<b>U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION</b>	<b>APPROVED BY OMB: NO. 3150-0131</b>	<b>EXPIRES: 09/30/2014</b>
<b>OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA</b>		Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Information Services Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to <a href="mailto:InfoCollect.Resource@nrc.gov">InfoCollect.Resource@nrc.gov</a> , and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.	

<b>FACILITY</b> Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Unit 1 and 2	<b>NRC REGION</b> 3
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<b>A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE</b>				
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1		1	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

<b>B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS</b>				
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	7		6	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	7		9	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2		3	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED				
<b>PROPOSED DATES</b>				
PRIMARY DATE	8/4/14		5/9/16	
ALTERNATE DATE	8/11/14		5/16/16	

<b>C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE</b>								
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>				CY <u>2015</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES			15					

**OPERATOR LICENSING  
EXAMINATION DATA**

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Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

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**A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS			1	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS		1		

**B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	0	6	5	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	0	5	5	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	0	1	2	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE		2/16/2015	11/07/2016	
ALTERNATE DATE		2/09/2015	10/31/2016	

**C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2014</u>				CY <u>2015</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES					10			