



NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
Monticello, MN 55362

October 15, 1975

Mr. J. G. Keppler, Director
Region III
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Dear Mr. Keppler:

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
Bracket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

On October 15, 1975, during an operability test, the #2 starting system for #11 diesel generator failed to operate. Failure was due to a loose connection on a control air line to the air start motors. The loose connector was tightened and the #2 starting system operability demonstrated. The #1 starting system was fully operable and would have started the diesel generator on an automatic initiation signal. Further investigation of this occurrence is continuing.

Yours very truly,

C. E. Larson
Plant Manager

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