

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT

Docket No. 50-263

REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO
OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-22

(License Amendment Request Dated October 1, 1976)

Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, requests authorization for changes to the Technical Specifications as shown on the attachments labeled Exhibit A and Exhibit B. Exhibit A describes the proposed changes along with reasons for the change. Exhibit B is a set of Technical Specification pages incorporating the proposed changes.

This request contains no restricted or other defense information.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

By *L. J. Wachter*
L J Wachter
Vice President, Power Production &
System Operation

On this 1st day of October, 1976, before me a notary public in and for said County, personally appeared L J Wachter, Vice President, Power Production & System Operation, and first being duly sworn acknowledged that he is authorized to execute this document in behalf of Northern States Power Company, that he knows the contents thereof and that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the statements made in it are true and that it is not interposed for delay.

Denise E. Branall



DENISE E. BRANALL
NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
HENNEPIN COUNTY
My Commission Expires Oct. 18, 1981

EXHIBIT A

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
DOCKET NOS. 50-263

LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 1, 1976

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS
APPENDIX A OF OPERATING
LICENSE DPR-22

Pursuant to 10CFR50.59, the holders of License DPR-22 hereby propose the following changes to Appendix A, Technical Specifications:

Specifications 3.6 and 4.6 Hydraulic Snubbers

PROPOSED CHANGE

Revise Technical Specifications and Bases 3.6 and 4.6, covering safety related hydraulic snubber operability and surveillance requirements, as shown in attached Exhibit B.

REASONS FOR CHANGE

These changes in Technical Specification requirements are submitted in response to a letter dated December 17, 1975, from Mr Dennis L Ziemann, USNRC, to Mr L O Mayer, NSP.

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REASONS FOR CHANGE (continued)

This letter requested Northern States Power Company to submit a License Amendment Request to modify the Technical Specifications covering safety related hydraulic snubbers. The modifications we were requested to submit included:

- a. Specifying what must be included in visual snubber inspections.
- b. Enlarging the scope of Table TS 3.6.1 to include information on snubber area radiation levels and ease of removal.
- c. Deletion of snubbers in High Radiation Areas or snubbers "especially difficult to remove" from functional testing.

The proposed Technical Specification changes conform to the model Technical Specifications contained in Mr Ziemann's letter with the following minor exceptions:

- a. The provision for omitting from functional testing snubbers located in High Radiation Areas or snubbers "especially difficult to remove" found in the Bases has been added to the Surveillance Requirements.
- b. A specification has been added to allow snubbers to be added or deleted from the list of those located in High Radiation Areas as plant conditions change.
- c. Specification 4.6.1.3 has been deleted. It is no longer necessary to specify the time of initial inspection or the initial inspection interval. Monticello has been following this schedule for over one year.

Snubbers were classified "especially difficult to remove" if they were:

- a. Greater than 5 feet above the adjacent working platform or;
- b. Greater than 3 feet below the adjacent working platform

Snubbers were classified as being in High Radiation Areas based on a radiation survey conducted during a maintenance outage earlier this year. Radiation survey results were corrected for estimated radiation level at each snubber location approximately one week following reactor shutdown.

EXHIBIT B

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Exhibit B, attached, consists of revised and newly prepared pages of the Appendix A Technical Specifications as listed below. These pages incorporate the proposed changes.

Pages 121
121A
121B
121C
138A

Pages 121D
121E
Are deleted by these
proposed changes.