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PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT  
Docket Nos. 50-282 License Nos. DPR-42  
50-306 DPR-60

License Amendment Request Dated September 11, 1992  
Addition of Reference to Approved Methodology

Attached is a request for a change to the Technical Specifications, Appendix A of the Operating Licenses for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. This request is submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.90.

Documents that describe the NRC approved analytical methods used to determine the core operating limits are specified in Technical Specification Section 6.7.A.6.b. Westinghouse Topical Report WCAP-10924-P, Volume 2, Addendum 3, "Westinghouse Large-Break LOCA Best-Estimate Methodology", April 1992, describes model revisions submitted to the NRC Staff. This topical report is currently being reviewed by the NRC Staff. Following NRC review and approval, Westinghouse will issue a revised topical report with the NRC Safety Evaluation Report, WCAP-10924-P-A, Volume 2, Addendum 3. We expect this to occur in December of this year.

This license amendment has been submitted to incorporate a reference to the revised methodologies described in WCAP-10924-P into the Prairie Island Technical Specifications following approval by the NRC Staff. The revised methodologies must be incorporated into Section 6.7.A.6.b so the model revisions can be used in the determination of the core operating limits.

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Exhibit A contains a description of the proposed change, the reasons for requesting the change and a Safety Evaluation/Determination of Significant Hazards Considerations. Exhibit B contains a current Technical Specification page marked up to show the proposed changes. Exhibit C contains the revised Technical Specification pages.

Because the proposed Technical Specification change is incorporating a reference to a Westinghouse topical report presently under review by the NRC Staff, we request that the review and approval of this License Amendment Request be coordinated with the review and approval of WCAP-10924-P.

Please contact us if you have any questions related to this request.



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Attachments:

Affidavit

Exhibit A - Evaluation of Proposed Changes to the Technical Specifications

Exhibit B - Proposed Changes Highlighted on Existing Technical Specification Pages

Exhibit C - Revised Technical Specification Pages

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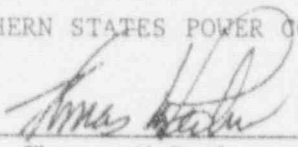
LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST DATED September 11, 1992

Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, requests authorization for changes to Appendix A of the Prairie Island Operating License as shown on the attachments labeled Exhibits A, B, and C. Exhibit A describes the proposed changes, reasons for the changes, and a significant hazards evaluation. Exhibits B and C are copies of the Prairie Island Technical Specifications incorporating the proposed changes.

This letter contains no restricted or other defense information.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

By

  
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On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 1992, before me a notary public in and for said County, personally appeared Thomas M Parker, Manager Nuclear Support Services, and being first duly sworn acknowledged that he is authorized to execute this document on 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.

