



Northern States Power Company

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
2807 West Hwy 75
Monticello, Minnesota 55362-9637

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Monticello Technical
Specification 6.7.A.3

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

Submittal of Monticello Monthly Operating Report for March, 1996

In accordance with Monticello Technical Specification 6.7.A.3, the report of operating statistics for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant for the Month of March is provided.

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OPERATING DATA REPORT

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OPERATING STATUS

	Notes
1. Unit Name : Monticello	
2. Reporting period: March	
3. Licensed Thermal Power (MWt): 1670	
4. Nameplate Rating (Gross MWe): 569	
5. Design Electrical Rating (Net MWe): 545.4	
6. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Gross MWe): 564	
7. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Net MWe): 536	
8. If Changes Occur in Capacity Ratings (Items Number 3 Through 7) Since Last Report, Give Reasons:	

9. Power Level To Which Restricted, If Any (Net MWe): N/A
 10. Reasons For Restrictions, If Any: N/A

	THIS MONTH	YR.-TO-DATE	CUMULATIVE
11. Hours In Reporting Period	744	2184	216985
12. Number Of Hours Reactor Was Critical	744.0	2184.0	177943.9
13. Reactor Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	940.7
14. Hours Generator On-Line	744.0	2184.0	175054.9
15. Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	0.0
16. Gross Thermal Energy Generated (MWH)	991850	3285648	271338437
17. Gross Electrical Energy Generated (MWH)	331867	1115325	91745356
18. Net Electrical Energy Generated (MWH)	316848	1070007	87801379
19. Unit Service Factor	100.0%	100.0%	80.7%
20. Unit Availability Factor	100.0%	100.0%	80.7%
21. Unit Capacity Factor (Using MDC Net)	79.5%	91.4%	75.5%
22. Unit Capacity Factor (Using DER Net)	78.1%	89.8%	74.2%
23. Unit Forced Outage Rate	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%
24. Shutdowns Scheduled Over Next 12 Months (Type, Date, and Duration of Each)			
_Refueling - 4/10/96 - 39 days			

25. If Shut Down At End Of Report Period, Estimated Date Of Startup: N/A
 26. Units In Test Status (Prior to Commercial Operation): N/A Forecast Achieved

INITIAL CRITICALITY
 INITIAL ELECTRICITY
 COMMERCIAL OPERATION

AVERAGE DAILY UNIT POWER LEVEL

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MONTH OF March

DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)
1	463.
2	460.
3	458.
4	456.
5	452.
6	451.
7	450.
8	445.
9	444.
10	442.
11	440.
12	437.
13	435.
14	430.
15	430.
16	427.

DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)
17	424.
18	424.
19	420.
20	418.
21	413.
22	414.
23	411.
24	405.
25	402.
26	396.
27	394.
28	392.
29	392.
30	388.
31	388.

INSTRUCTIONS

On this format, list the average daily unit power level in MWe-Net for each day in the reporting month. Compute to the nearest whole megawatt.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF OPERATING EXPERIENCE

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MONTH _____ MAR _____

03-01-96
to Power coastdown.
03-31-96

Note: Power operation defined as essentially 100% of
rated power except for weekend load drops for
specified surveillance testing.

UNIT SHUTDOWNS AND POWER REDUCTIONS

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REPORT MONTH March

No.	Date	Type (1)	Duration (hours)	Reason (2)	Method of Shutdown (3)	LER No.	System Code (4)	Comp. Code (5)	Cause & Corrective Action to Prevent Recurrence
	None								

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F: Forced
 S: Scheduled

2

Reason:
 A-Equipment Failure (Explain)
 B-Maintenance or Test
 C-Refueling
 D-Regulator Restriction
 E-Operator Training & License Examination
 F-Administrative
 G-Operational Error (Explain)
 H-Other (Explain)

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Method:
 1-Manual
 2-Manual Scram
 3-Automatic Scram
 4-Other (Explain)

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Draft IEEE Standard
 805-1984(P805-D5)

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IEEE Standard 803A-1983