



Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

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Mr. William J. Dircks
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Dircks:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has completed an analysis of the prompt alert and notification system for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant in Red Wing, Minnesota. This review has been completed pursuant to FEMA rule 44 CFR 350; selected evaluative criteria and Appendix 3 in NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev. 1; and FEMA-43, the "Standard Guide for the Evaluation of Alert and Notification Systems for Nuclear Power Plants." The enclosed report entitled "Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Site-Specific Offsite Radiological Emergency Preparedness Alert and Notification System Quality Assurance Verification," summarizes the engineering design review, incorporates the results of the telephone survey of the public conducted immediately following the alert and notification system activation on October 3, 1984, and includes the results of the review of the other applicable evaluative criteria from NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1, and FEMA-43.

Based on the aforementioned review and the results of the alert and notification system activation, FEMA has determined that the prompt alert and notification system installed around the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant meets the specific design requirements of NUREG-0654/FEMA-REP-1, Rev. 1 and FEMA-43, and that there is reasonable assurance that the system is adequate to promptly alert and notify the public in the event of an accident at the site. A complete review of the offsite plans and preparedness for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant under FEMA rule 44 CFR 350, will be completed at a later date.

Sincerely,

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