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Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company
ATTN: Mr. L. O. Mayer, Director
of Nuclear Support Services
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

Gentlemen:

By letter dated April 6, 1973, Northern States Power Company submitted additional information in response to our request for a description of the Quality Assurance (QA) program for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant. The QA program, as described in your application for a full-term license (dated June 15, 1972) and in the referenced letter, does not provide sufficient detail to determine the acceptability of the program. Therefore, it is requested that you provide the following:

- 1) The program policy document (described in the FTOL submittal, Section 5.17.1), and
- 2) The Monticello Administrative Controls Manual dated November 27, 1972.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:
Dennis L. Ziemann

Dennis L. Ziemann, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #2
Directorate of Licensing

cc: Gerald Charnoff
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DATE: 6/14/73

Alpha Smaby
1531 E. River Road
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FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THE ATTACHED LETTER, AND FOR A
REPORT TO ME, IN DUPLICATE TO ACCOMPANY RETURN OF ENCLOSURES.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Request your urgent attention to the questions raised by
Alpha Smaby and your reply to the recommendations.

RESPECTFULLY REFERRED TO:

Congressional Liaison
Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D.C.

PLEASE REFER RESPONSE TO ATTENTION OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBER
OF MY STAFF, ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE ONLY.
Gail Harrison

THANK YOU.

WALTER F. MONDALE
U. S. S.

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DR. 5750

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1531 E. River Road
Minneapolis, Minn. 55414

May 25, 1973

The Honorable Walter F. Mondale
443 Old Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Mondale:

The Citizens of Minnesota have been placed in a dire predicament. We are faced with the operation of an unlicensed, untested nuclear power plant, Prairie Island, and with a Pollution Control Agency (PCA) that has been rendered helpless by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). The PCA, with Minnesota Environmental Control Citizens Association (MECCA), is an intervenor in an AEC Environmental Review Hearing for the Monticello Plant. The PCA and Steve Gadler, a private citizen are intervenors in the licensing hearings on Prairie Island.

The AEC is now threatening to schedule the Monticello and Prairie Island Hearings concurrently, which has forced the PCA, for lack of staff and money, to sign an agreement with NSP and the AEC that (1) it will stop all discovery on Prairie Island after August 15, (2) NSP will be allowed to fuel the plant, and (3) NSP will begin test operation of the plant.

Steve Gadler has refused to enter into this agreement because he feels that questions concerning fuel densification and the emergency core cooling system should have full public hearing before the plant is fueled and operated. The PCA has decided not to raise these questions because it does not have the staff to handle simultaneous hearings.

The question of scheduling overlapping hearings is appalling to me for two reasons. It is appalling that the AEC can schedule hearings in such a way as to render the MPCA powerless. It is also distressing that we pay three agencies which make decisions about the Prairie Island plant yet we will be denied a public hearing before that plant is fueled and operated. Our state taxes pay for the PCA to protect the quality of air and water for the people of Minnesota. Our Federal taxes pay the AEC to encourage the use of nuclear energy and our rate monies finance the building and operation of Prairie Island and Monticello by NSP. When questions about the operation and safety of these two plants are raised, it seems only proper that full public hearings be held so that these questions can be completely explored.

Federal agencies must not be allowed to jeopardize the integrity of state agencies by placing them in situations where they lack the staff and the budget to do their job. Would you demand the AEC to schedule the two hearings in such a way as to allow the PCA to cover both hearings adequately and urge the AEC to withhold permits to fuel and operate the Prairie Island plant until a full public hearing is held?

Sincerely,

Alpha Smaby
Alpha Smaby

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