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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
PRAIRIE ISLAND UNITS 1 and 2
DOCKET NOS. 50-282 and 50-306
LICENSE NOS. DPR-42 and DPR-60

In the Prairie Island Security Plan, Revision 1, dated September 19, 1974, Section 2.4.3, it is stated in part that "The Administration Building outside door is under constant surveillance from the Guardhouse Facility."

The physical protection inspection conducted on October 21-23, 1974 developed that a closed-circuit television monitor screen is situated in the Guardhouse. This monitor views the entrance to the Administration Building which is not in direct line-of-sight from the Guardhouse since the entrance is around the corner of the building. There is no signalling device to alert the guards when the entrance door is opened so that they may view the activity on the CCTV monitor. The entrance door is within the protected area fence and is not normally locked.

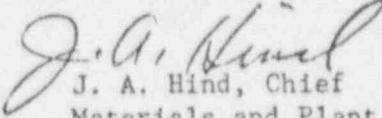
The inspector noted that the guards in the Guardhouse Facility, particularly at shift change, are distracted by their other duties and do not provide constant surveillance by CCTV of the Administration Building door as committed to in the security plan. Accordingly, the licensee was cited for failure to provide constant surveillance. In response to this item of noncompliance the licensee maintains that "It was never intended, stated or implied that a guard would continuously observe the front entrance to the plant." We interpret the word "constant" as being continuous without interruption. A copy of the licensee's response to Infraction No. 3 is attached.



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Obviously, we interpret the word "constant" differently than the licensee. It would be appreciated if you would refer this matter to the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation to determine if the degree of surveillance provided the Administration Building portal is acceptable in light of the commitment made in the Security Plan.


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Enclosure:
Response to Items of Noncompliance
(10 CFR 2.790 Information)

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Northern States Power Company
Docket No. 50-282 and 50-306

1. Infraction

Section 2.3.1. of the Prairie Island Security Plan dated September 19, 1974, submitted as part of the FSAR, states, "The Security Area (Protected Area) is enclosed with 9-gauge galvanized chain link security fencing. The fence is 8-feet in height with an additional 1-foot of 3-strand barbed wire angled outward 45 degrees along the top."

Contrary to the above, the effective height of the fence northwest of the screenhouse is reduced by three to four feet below the specified nine feet by a section of steel cofferdam protruding from the ground immediately outside the fence.

Response

OK The section of steel cofferdam described above has since been cut off flush with the ground.

2. Infraction

Section 2.3.3.3. of the Prairie Island Security Plan dated September 19, 1974, submitted as part of the FSAR, states, "Individuals, packages and vehicles shall be subject to unannounced as well as scheduled inspection and search before entering or leaving the Security (Protected) Area."

Contrary to the above, employees were not subjected to scheduled search before entering the Security (Protected) Area.

Response

OK A portal metal detector has since been installed, through which each employee must pass when entering the Security Area. Anytime the portal metal detector is not operational, 10% of employees entering the Security Area are searched using a portable metal detector.

3. Infraction

Section 2.4.3. of the Prairie Island Security Plan dated September 19, 1974, submitted as part of the FSAR, states in part, "The Administration Building outside door is under constant surveillance from the Guardhouse Facility."

Contrary to the above, the door of the Administration Building, although monitored by closed circuit television, is not under constant surveillance because other duties distract the guard's attention from the monitor screen.

Response

During the process of finalizing the Prairie Island Security Plan, submitting it for review, and having it accepted, a thorough description of the physical facilities and of the duties and actions of the security personnel was given. It was never intended, stated or implied that a guard would continuously observe the front entrance to the plant. We believe the word "constant" correctly conveys the actions our security personnel are executing with respect to the Administration Building outside door as intended to be "normally under visual surveillance".

The proposed rule making for amendment to 10 CFR Part 73.55 is currently in process and creates significant uncertainty as to near future requirements for access control and access control facilities. Therefore, pending issue of the amended regulation, we propose to continue use of the present Security Plan with the above described application of plant front entrance surveillance.