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Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
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MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

License Amendment Request Dated November 25, 1996
Safety Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio

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

Changes are proposed to Section 2.1.A for the Safety Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (SLMCPR) and to Section 3.11.C for the Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (OLMCPR). The proposed change to section 2.1.A revises the SLMCPR value from 1.07 to 1.08 for two recirculation pump operation and from 1.08 to 1.09 for single loop operation. The proposed change to section 3.11.C deletes the sentence that specifies the OLMCPR limit penalty for single recirculation loop operation and adds a statement which references the Core Operating Limits Report as the source for this information.

Exhibit A contains a description of the proposed changes, the reasons for requesting the changes, a Safety Evaluation, a Determination of Significant Hazards Consideration, and an Environmental Assessment. Exhibit B contains the current Technical Specification pages marked up with the proposed changes. Exhibit C contains revised Monticello Technical Specification pages.

Please contact Sam Shirey (612-295-1449) if you require further information related to this request.

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Attachments: Affidavit to the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Exhibit A - Evaluation of Proposed Changes to the Technical Specifications for
Operating License DPR-22
Exhibit B - Proposed Changes Marked Up on Existing Technical Specification Pages
Exhibit C - Revised Monticello Technical Specification Pages