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Docket No. 50-263

Northern States Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. C. E. Larson  
Vice President, Nuclear  
Generation  
414 Nicollet Mall  
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Gentlemen:

This refers to the special safety inspection conducted by Mr. W. G. Guldemon of this office on December 23, 1985, of activities at Monticello Nuclear Generating Station authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-22 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. W. Shamla at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Notice. The inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified violation and to prevent recurrence. Our understanding of your corrective actions are described in Paragraph 2 of the enclosed inspection report. Consequently, no reply to the violation is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

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Luis A. Reyes, Chief  
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report  
No. 50-263/85025(DRS)

cc w/enclosures:

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