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Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Unit 2 Docket Number 50-306 Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-60

Notification of Compliance with NRC Order EA-12-049, "Order Modifying Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events," Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Unit 2 (TAC No. MF0835)

References:

- NRC Order EA-12-049, "Issuance of Order to Modify Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events," dated March 12, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML12054A735).
- 2. NRC Audit Report, "Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2 Report for the Audit Regarding Implementation of Mitigating Strategies and Reliable Spent Fuel pool Instrumentation Related to orders EA-12-049 and EA-12-051 (TAC Nos. MF0834, MF0835, MF0832 and MF0833)," dated August 20, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML15224B396).

On March 12, 2012, the NRC staff issued Order EA-12-049, "Issuance of Order to Modify Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events," (Reference 1) to all NRC power reactor licensees and holders of construction permits in active or deferred status. The Reference 1 Order was immediately effective and directed Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (NSPM), doing business as Xcel Energy, to develop, implement and maintain guidance and strategies to maintain or restore core cooling, containment, and spent fuel pool cooling capabilities following a beyond-design-basis external event for

the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (PINGP), Units 1 and 2. The Order directed licensees to report when full compliance with the Order requirements was achieved.

The purpose of this letter is to report that full compliance with the Order has been achieved for PINGP Unit 2. Enclosure 1 provides a summary description of the key elements associated with PINGP Unit 2 compliance to the Order. Enclosure 2 provides a summary response for each of the open and pending items from the Reference 2 audit report.

Please contact Lynne Gunderson, Licensing Engineer, at 651-267-7421, if additional information or clarification is required.

Summary of Commitments

This letter makes no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 14, 2016.

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Enclosures (2)

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