

Yes
No
Don't know

22. If you'd like, please use this space to elaborate on your answer to question 21.

23. How valuable would it be to your research to be able to select the specific locations of the SMART sensor modules along the cable?

Very valuable
Valuable
Somewhat valuable
Not very valuable
Not valuable at all

24. How important is it to include one or more Branching Units?

Very important
Important
Somewhat important
Not very important
Not important at all

25. In terms of current and future research, in your view what are potential uses for Branching Units?

26. Referring again to the above Figure and noting the corridor available around the trunk lines to deploy stubs from Branching Units (dark gray shaded areas surrounding the white dotted lines), would you place additional BUs?

Yes
No
Don't Know

27. If you'd like, please use this space to elaborate on your answers to question 26. If you answered yes, please indicate where and why.

28. What potential do you see for the cable to enable the vision of the networked ocean as a relay platform for an "Internet of Underwater Things", such as subsea gliders, submersible float sensors, ROVs and similar submersible autonomous instrumentation systems?

Partnerships and the Project

The Whitepaper (<https://goosoocean.org/news/un-ocean-decade-challenge-7-white-paper-a-roadmap-for-the-observing-system-we-need/>) addressing Challenge 7 ("Expand the Global Ocean Observing System") from the UN IOC/UNESCO Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021–2030) ("Ocean Decade 2030") program indicates that significant investments will be needed to meet the challenges for global ocean observation goals while current investments and mechanisms are inadequate. There is a clear call for multi-sector engagements such as public-private partnerships and

international collaborations for a "new economic thinking" to provide the resources needed.

29. What private and/or public sector groups (e.g., academic, non-profit, industry, etc.) do you think may have an active interest in partnership activities with NSF for aspects of the cable system development?

Contribution of the Antarctic SMART Cable To Resolve Global Challenges

30. Beyond the potential direct benefits to support science in the Antarctic and the region covered directly by the Antarctic SMART Cable, there may be broader benefits to developing the Antarctic SMART Cable. In your view, what are the global, national, and societal benefits of this cable?

Future Science Workshop

31. A successor science workshop is being considered for 2025 to build upon and extend the work of the June 2021 workshop and this Electronic On-Line Submission. How interested would you be in attending virtually or in-person, provided full or partial travel expenses could be provided?

Table: Responses for Question 31

Future Science Workshop Participation	Very Interested	Interested	Somewhat Interested	Not Very Interested	Not Interested at All
Attending Virtually	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Attending In-person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Final Thoughts

32. If there is anything else you'd like to share or elaborate upon regarding the topics mentioned here, please provide them here.

33. Please complete the form below to indicate your interest in future participation in this project. This is completely voluntary, and your responses collected will be included in the analysis regardless of your response below.

Name _____
Affiliation _____
Title/Position _____
Email address _____

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–263; NRC–2023–0031]

**Northern States Power Company;
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant,
Unit 1; Final Site-Specific
Environmental Impact Statement**

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has published a final Site-Specific Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), issued as NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal, "Site-Specific Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants Regarding Subsequent License Renewal for Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, Unit 1, Final Report." This EIS evaluates, on a site-specific basis, the environmental impacts of subsequent license renewal (SLR) of Facility Operating License No. DPR–22 for an additional 20 years of operation for Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (Monticello), Unit 1. Monticello is located approximately 35 miles NW of Minneapolis, MN. Alternatives to the proposed action of subsequent license renewal for Monticello include the no-

action alternative and reasonable replacement power alternatives.

DATES: NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal, is available as of November 15, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2023–0031 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Website:** Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2023–0031. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301–415–0624; email: Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov. For technical questions contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):** You may access publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, at 301–415–4737, or by email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov. NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal, is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML24309A221.

- **NRC's PDR:** The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of publicly available documents, is open by appointment. To make an appointment to visit the PDR, please send an email to PDR.Resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 or 301–415–4737, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. eastern time (ET), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

- **Public Library:** A copy of the final site-specific EIS, NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal, regarding the proposed subsequent renewal of Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR–22 for an additional 20 years of operation for Monticello, will be available for public review at the Monticello Great River Regional Library, 200 W 6th St., Monticello, MN 55362.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In accordance with section 51.118 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Final environmental impact statement—notice of availability," the NRC is making available for public inspection NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal, regarding the subsequent license renewal of Northern States Power Company doing business as Xcel Energy (Xcel), renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR–22 for an additional 20 years of operation for Monticello. A notice of availability of the site-specific draft EIS (DEIS) (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal) was published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2024 (89 FR 31225). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued its Notice of Availability on April 19, 2024 (89 FR 28771). To align the end of EPA's comment period with the NRC's comment period, on May 3, 2024 (89 FR 36815), the public comment period was initially extended from June 3, 2024, to June 10, 2024. On June 5, 2024 (89 FR 48196), the NRC staff extended the public comment period by 15 days to June 25, 2024, and on June 14, 2024, EPA also noticed the extension of the comment period to June 25, 2024 (89 FR 50586) to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments. The public comment period on the site-specific DEIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal) ended on June 25, 2024, and the comments received on the site-specific DEIS are addressed in the final EIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal).

II. Discussion

The site-specific draft EIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal) was issued for public comment on April 24, 2024 (89 FR 31225). The site-specific final EIS addresses the comments received on the site-specific draft EIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal). As discussed in Chapter 4 of the final EIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal), the NRC staff has determined that the adverse environmental impacts of SLR for Monticello (*i.e.*, the continued operation of Monticello for a period of 20 years beyond the expiration date of the initial renewed license) are not so great that preserving the option of SLR for energy-planning decision-makers would be unreasonable. This recommendation is based on: (1) information provided in the environmental report, as supplemented, and other documents submitted by Xcel;

(2) consultation with Federal, State, Tribal, and local governmental agencies; (3) the NRC staff's independent environmental review; (4) consideration of public comments received during the scoping process, on the site-specific DEIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal); and (5) consideration of public comments received on the site-specific draft EIS (NUREG–1437, Supplement 26, Second Renewal).

Dated: November 18, 2024.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC–2023–0201]

Information Collection: Requirements for Renewal of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has recently submitted a request for renewal of an existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information collection is entitled, "Requirements for Renewal of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants."

DATES: Submit comments by December 23, 2024. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cullison, NRC Clearance Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–415–2084; email: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

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