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July 31, 2013

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director SD Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

RE: AUGUST 2013 FUEL CLAUSE CHARGE

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy and operating in South Dakota, hereby submits its electric fuel clause charge (FCC) for August 2013.

Pursuant to Commission authorization of the final compliance tariffs in the Company's 2012 rate proceeding (Docket No. EL12-046), the new rates were implemented on May 1, 2013. The new Fuel Adjustment Factor (FAF) Ratio listed below also became effective:

FAF Ratio	Current	Effective May 1, 2013
Residential	1.0119	1.0216
C & I Non-Demand	1.0268	1.0204
C & I Demand	1.0089	0.9993
C & I Demand TOD On-Peak	1.2537	1.2532
C & I Demand TOD Off-Peak	0.7910	0.7947
Outdoor Lighting	0.7629	0.7421

The table below shows the new Fuel Cost Charge by service category:

August 2013	Fuel Cost Charge (\$/kWh)	
Residential	0.03660	
C & I Non-Demand	0.03656	
C & I Demand	0.03581	
C & I Demand Time of Day On-Peak	0.04490	
C & I Demand Time of Day Off-Peak	0.02847	
Outdoor Lighting	0.02659	

As we mentioned in last month's Fuel Cost Charge filing, we discovered a data problem related to June's Fuel Cost Charge filing which we submitted on May 31, 2013. The Company has made the one time true up correction of \$1,368,423 in the August Fuel Cost Charge (Attachment 1, page3, line 21).

MISO CHARGES IMPLEMENTATION

MISO Day 2 Charges

This filing includes our reporting of the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (MISO) charges under the Day 2 Market. Pursuant to the Commission's April 7, 2005 Order in Docket No. EL05-008, Xcel Energy is authorized to recover the MISO Day 2 costs through the Fuel Clause Rider. On February 12, 2009, the Commission approved the Fuel Clause Rider tariff revisions (Docket No. EL08-035), which allowed the new MISO Day 2 charge types: Schedule 24, Auction Revenue Rights, and the new Financial Transmission Rights charge types, to be reflected in the Fuel Clause Rider. In compliance with this Order and the required "net" accounting of Day 2 costs and revenues, we have included in the August 2013 FCC, the net MISO Day 2 costs for June 2013 as recorded in Account 555. The MISO Day 2 cost recovery included in this August 2013 FCC is \$32,197,013, which is the net of many items. Pursuant to the above mentioned Orders, the Company also provides more detailed records in Attachment 2, page 1 to support the calculation of the MISO Day 2 costs.