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—Via Electronic Filing—

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

**RE: MARCH 2017 FUEL CLAUSE CHARGE**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy and operating in South Dakota, hereby submits this letter regarding its fuel clause rider (FCR) charges to be used for customer billing purposes for March 2017.

The table below shows the fuel cost charges by service category that will be in effect for March 2017:

<b>March 2017</b>	<b>Fuel Cost Charge (\$/kWh)</b>
<b>Residential</b>	0.02093
<b>C &amp; I Non-Demand</b>	0.02109
<b>C &amp; I Demand</b>	0.02075
<b>C &amp; I Demand Time of Day On-Peak</b>	0.02500
<b>C &amp; I Demand Time of Day Off-Peak</b>	0.01717
<b>Outdoor Lighting</b>	0.01576

Pursuant to the Commission's action on December 6, 2016 in Docket No. EL16-037 (Fuel Clause Investigation), please note the Company's monthly fuel clause adjustment has been suspended and the charges listed above are the same as those that were in effect in December at the time of the suspension. In a separate filing in Docket No. EL16-037, we are providing for informational purposes the charges for this month, absent the FCR suspension.

If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this filing, please call John Chow at 612-330-7588.

Sincerely,

/s/

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DIRECTOR, REGULATORY PRICING AND ANALYSIS