

August 30, 2017

—Via Electronic Filing—

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

RE: SEPTEMBER 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 September 2017.

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

| September 2017 | Fuel Cost Charge (\$/kWh) |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Residential | 0.02093 |
| C & I Non-Demand | 0.02109 |
| C & I Demand | 0.02075 |
| C & I Demand Time of Day On-Peak | 0.02500 |
| C & I Demand Time of Day Off-Peak | 0.01717 |
| Outdoor Lighting | 0.01576 |
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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.¹

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

Sincerely,

/s/

AMY LIBERKOWSKI DIRECTOR, REGULATORY PRICING AND ANALYSIS

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¹ As noted in the August 28, 2017 Staff Memorandum Supporting Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. EL16-037, the Commission's December 6, 2016 decision intended to suspend the rates that were in effect in November 2016 instead of December 2016. Staff's Memorandum acknowledges that since the Company's October 2017 FCC filing will include a true-up to address decisions made in the docket retroactive to December 1, 2016, the outcome remains the same.