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-VIA ELECTRONIC FILING -

Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

RE: ANNUAL REPORT OF JURISDICTIONAL EARNINGS - REVISED

SOUTH DAKOTA JURISDICTION

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Pursuant to the orders in the Transmission Cost Recovery Rider and Environmental Cost Recovery Rider, Docket Nos. EL07-007 and EL07-026, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation submitted its report of jurisdictional earnings for the calendar year 2017 on May 16, 2018.

We submit this revised version of the annual report to correct two errors identified in the original submission. First, we updated the 2016 comparison data on page E-1 after discovering that it showed 2015 data instead of 2016 data. Second, the original filing applied an adjustment for non-asset trading margin sharing. The fuel clause provides a credit to customers for the margin sharing and that credit is reflected in the fuel clause actuals; therefore applying an adjustment on top of those actuals double-counted the effect. Because this update flows through to impact most pages of the report, we have resubmitted the complete report.

Pursuant to ARSD § 20:10:01:41, the Company respectfully requests confidential treatment of certain information provided in this revised report. The Company addresses the Commission's five factors for consideration of confidential data as follows:

(1) An identification of the document and the general subject matter of the materials or the portions of the document for which confidentiality is being requested:

The ROE is considered confidential, trade secret information. Therefore, we present our revenue deficiency based on an overall rate of return, the components of which

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are marked as confidential, but are based on the Company's actual capital structure, cost of long-term debt and approved ROE from the last case.

(2) The length of time for which confidentiality is being requested and a request for handling at the end of that time. This does not preclude a later request to extend the period of confidential treatment:

The Company requests that the data contained in this report be treated as confidential forever.

(3) The name, address, and phone number of a person to be contacted regarding the confidentiality request:

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(4) The statutory or common law grounds and any administrative rules under which confidentiality is requested. Failure to include all possible grounds for confidential treatment does not preclude the party from raising additional grounds in the future:

The ROE approved in the Company's last rate case (Docket No. EL14-058) is protected trade secret information under SDCL §1-27-1.5 and SD Admin. R. 20:10:01:39.

(5) The factual basis that qualifies the information for confidentiality under the authority cited:

The information derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

SINCERELY,

/s/

STEVE KOLBECK PRINCIPAL MANAGER, SOUTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Enclosure