

October 1, 2013

--VIA ELECTRONIC FILING--

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

RE: APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN SOUTH DAKOTA INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER COMPLIANCE FILING DOCKET NO. EL12-046

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company submits this compliance filing in the above-noted docket consistent with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's April 18, 2013 ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT STIPULATION; ORDER APPROVING REFUND PLAN.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing please contact Deb Paulson at (612) 330-7571 or debra.j.paulson@xcelenergy.com.

Sincerely,

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JAMES C. WILCOX MANAGER, GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Enclosure