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--Via Electronic Filing--

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: PETITION
2016 TRANSMISSION COST RECOVERY ELIGIBILITY AND ADJUSTMENT
FACTOR
DOCKET NO. EL15-_____

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits the enclosed 2016 Transmission Cost Recovery (TCR) Rider Petition for approval of project eligibility, a revised TCR Adjustment Factor, and the Tracker Account report. We have prepared this Petition consistent with the terms of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's Order approving our last TCR Rider filing in Docket No. EL14-080.

Please call me at (605) 339-8350 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

SINCERELY,

/s/

JAMES C. WILCOX
PRINCIPAL MANAGER

Enclosure