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**--Via Electronic Filing--**

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

RE: PETITION  
2017 TRANSMISSION COST RECOVERY ELIGIBILITY AND ADJUSTMENT  
FACTOR  
DOCKET NO. EL16-\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits the enclosed 2017 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. EL15-030.

Please call me at (605) 339-8303 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

SINCERELY,

/s/

ERIC M. PAULI  
MANAGER, SOUTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Enclosure