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#### Calculation of Net Annual Avoided Capacity Costs Data Source **TRADE SECRET BEGINS** Cost reflects current forecast for future capacity resources (CT). Value sourced from (1) Completed Cost of C.T. Unit (2021 \$) /kW NSP IRP 2020-2034 thermal assumptions, escalated to current year. (2) Inflation Net of Technical Progress 2.00% Updated per IRP Modeling Assumptions 40 Years reflects the financial remaining life set for the most recent CT in Minnesota. (3) Average Service Life 40 Years The Company would expect to request the same expected life in a future South Dakota (4) Discount Rate (After Tax) 6.75% rate treatment. Calculation of Marginal Capital Carry Charge Rate (5) Present Value of Revenue Requirements (2021) /kW Updated PVRR calculation based on current assumptions. (6) Annuity Factor Adjustment for Inflation \*\* 5.67% Calculated Value (see box below) (7) Present Value of Revenue Requirements Adjusted for Inflation (5)\*(6)/kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (8) Marginal Capital Carrying Charge Rate (7)/(1)Calculated value, per formula provided. (9) First Year Revenue Requirement (1)\*(8) /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (10) Present Value at 6.75% for 0 years /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (11) Present Value of Average Annual Fuel Savings /kW Evaluated per EnCompass economic dispatch modeling. (1) (12) Annual Avoided Capacity Cost /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (10)-(11)(13) Adjusted for 15% Reserve Margin /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (12)\*1.15(14) Plus Fixed O & M \$/kW (2021 \$) /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (13) + O&M(15) Adjusted for losses (14)/0.9652/kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (16) NET ANNUAL AVOIDED CAPACITY COST *\$56.78* /kW Calculated value, per formula provided. (17) Net Annual Avoided Capacity Cost 0.648 ¢/kWhCalculated value, per formula provided. Average Over All Hours (16)\*100/8760 (18) In \$/KWh (17)/100 \$0.0065 /kWh \*\* $AC = (r-j)*(1+j)^{(t-1)}*[1/(1-(1+j)^n/(1+r)^n)]$ Where AC = Annual Charge in year tt = Year (=1)K = Total Present Value Cost of Original Investment r = Discount Rate (Overall Marginal Cost of Capital) (6.75%) j = Inflation Rate Net of Technology Progress (2.00%) n = Expected Service Life of Investment (40 Years) O&M \$/kW/year average annual Evaluated per EnCompass economic dispatch modeling. (1)

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(1) The Company uses the Encompass software to model the economic dispatch of the generation fleet meet forecasted needs. Fuel, variable and fixed O&M where valued based on operational dispatch of the future CT.

Thermal Generic Information, IRP 2020-2034, Modeling Assumptions						
Source:	Engineering & Construction					
Date/Vintage:	Sept 2018					
Updated On:	2/21/2018					
Updated By:	Jon Landrum					
Verified (Yes/No):	Yes					
Note:	Levelized cost includes initial cap ex, on-going cap ex, fixed O&M, and gas					
	demand costs. CTs are assumed to be dual fuel. All Costs are 2018\$					

Thermal Generic Information						
Resource	Generic CT					
Technology	7H					
Location Type	Greenfield					
Cooling Type	Dry					
Book life	40					
Nameplate Capacity (MW)	374					
Summer Peak Capacity (MW)	331					
Capital Cost (\$000) 2018\$	\$193,500					
Electric Transmission Delivery (\$000) 2018\$	\$74,804					
Ongoing Capital Expenditures (\$000-yr) 2018\$	\$1,784					
Gas Demand (\$000-yr) 2018\$	\$2,165					
Capital Cost (\$/kW) 2018\$	\$517					
Electric Transmission Delivery (\$/kW) 2018\$	\$200					
Ongoing Capital Expenditures (\$/kW-yr) 2018\$	\$4.77					
Gas Demand (\$/kW-yr) 2018\$	\$5.79					
Fixed O&M Cost (\$000/yr) 2018\$	\$1,253					
Variable O&M Cost (\$/MWh) 2018\$	\$0.99					
Levelized \$/kw-mo (All Fixed Costs) 2018\$	\$8.06					
Summer Heat Rate 100% Loading (btu/kWh)	9,264					
Summer Heat Rate 75% Loading (btu/kWh)	9,738					
Summer Heat Rate 50% Loading (btu/kWh)	11,120					
Summer Heat Rate 25% Loading (btu/kWh)	11,558					
Forced Outage Rate	3%					
Maintenance (weeks/yr)	2					
CO2 Emissions (lbs/MMBtu)	118					
SO2 Emissions (lbs/MWh)	0.00					
NOx Emissions (lbs/MWh)	0.90					
PM10 Emissions (lbs/MWh)	0.03					
Mercury Emissions (lbs/MMWh)	0.00					

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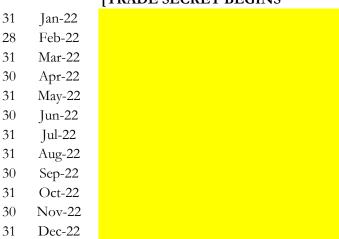
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Forecast of Marginal Energy Prices (\$/MWh)

Summary of Estimated NSP Average System On & Off Peak
Marginal Energy Costs in \$/MWh

	Month	On Peak	Off Peak	Average
31	Jan-21	\$29.94	\$23.68	\$25.70
28	Feb-21	\$24.68	\$17.93	\$20.34
31	Mar-21	\$22.03	\$16.67	\$18.66
30	Apr-21	\$20.16	\$15.83	\$17.42
31	May-21	\$22.34	\$14.89	\$17.29
30	Jun-21	\$24.09	\$14.25	\$17.86
31	Jul-21	\$30.55	\$18.10	\$22.31
31	Aug-21	\$29.34	\$17.27	\$21.55
30	Sep-21	\$23.42	\$12.77	\$16.50
31	Oct-21	\$20.68	\$16.28	\$17.77
30	Nov-21	\$22.92	\$14.92	\$17.72
31	Dec-21	\$24.76	\$17.75	\$20.24

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#### **ENERGY**

	NSP Ave	rage Summe	er/Winter M	Iarginal Ene	ergy Costs 202	21 - 2025			NSP Anni	ıal Average M	arginal Cost 20	)21 - 2025
	Summer On	Summer Off	Average		Winter On	Winter Off	Average			Annual On	Annual Off	Annual Average
2021	26.85	15.65	19.59		23.37	17.28	19.40	1	2021	24.54	16.73	19.46
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2022												
2023												
2024												
2025												

Summer months are June through September Winter months are Jan-May and Oct-Dec

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#### Peak Hour Calculation

#### NUMBER OF PEAK HOURS

The on peak period contains all hours between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except the following holidays: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. When a designated holiday occurs on Saturday, the preceding Friday will be designated a holiday. When a designated holiday occurs on Sunday, the following Monday will be designated a holiday.

The off peak period contains all other hours not included in the on peak period. Definition of on peak and off peak period is subject to change with change in Company's system operating characteristics.

	On-Peak	Off-Peak
Winter	2,023	3,809
Summer	1,022	<u>1,906</u>
Total	3,045	5,715
On-Peak Days/Week	5	Days
On-Peak Hour Block	12	Hours

	Day in	On Peak	Off Peak
	Month	Hours	Hours
June	30	257	463
July	31	266	478
4th of July		-12	12
August	31	266	478
September	30	257	463
Labor Day		-12	12
October	31	266	478
November	30	257	463
Thanksgiving		-12	12
December	31	266	478
Christmas		-12	12
January	31	266	478
New Year's Day	7	-12	12
February	28	240	432
March	31	266	478
Easter		-12	12
April	30	257	463
May	31	266	478
Memorial Day		<u>-12</u>	<u>12</u>
		3,045	5,715

#### Line Loss Calculation

Overall Loss Factors

Loss Factors Representing 50% of

Overall Loss Factor

Summer On-Peak	Summer Off-Peak	Average Summer	Winter On-Peak	Winter Off-Peak	Average Winter	Annual On-Peak	Annual Off-Peak	Annual All Hours
0.9232	0.9364	0.9318	0.9225	0.9334	0.9296	0.9227	0.9344	0.9303
0.9616	0.9682	0.9659	0.9612	0.9667	0.9648	0.9614	0.9672	0.9652

Information reflects data from 11/2015 MN Rate Case filing.

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NSP (MN & Subs) NSP System Peak Demands

Summer/Winter Factors: 12 Months Ending Dec 31, 2019

	System MV	W
Month	Full	Net
1	5,924	1,208
2	5,718	1,002
3	5,505	789
4	5,074	358
5	6,288	1,572
6	8,112	3,396
7	8,794	4,078
8	8,261	3,545
9	7,284	2,568
10	5,400	684
11	5,537	821
12	6,077	1,361
Annual Average Hourly Load	4,716	
Average of Monthly Peaks		
Year	6,498	1,782
Summer	8,113	3,397
Winter	<u>5,690</u>	<u>974</u>
Total	13,803	4,371
Summer:Winter Ratio	1.4257	3.4859
Summer Percent	58.77%	77.71%
Winter Percent	41.23%	<u>22.29%</u>
	100.00%	100.00%

#### Notes:

Full system ratio used to weight actual summer class peaks

Net system ratio used to split total peaking plant into summer and winter