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July 25, 2008

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

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

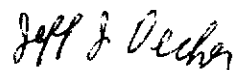
Pursuant to Section No. 3, Sheet No. 33.1 (5) of NorthWestern's Electric Tariff, enclosed is 260th Revised Sheet No. 33a and 41st Revised Sheet No. 33b.

Sheet Nos. 33a and 33b reflect changes in the delivered cost of fuel, delivered cost of energy and ad valorem taxes paid to be effective August 2, 2008.

The effect of Sheet Nos. 33a and 33b for a typical Rate 10 residential service customer using 750 Kwh per month would be a decrease in the cost from \$77.12 to \$76.29.

Should you have any questions regarding the above changes, please advise.

Sincerely,



Jeff J. Decker

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Enclosures

SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRIC RATE SCHEDULE

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**Section No. 3
Sheet No. 33a
Canceling 259th Revised
260th Revised Sheet No. 33a**

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES

	Per KWH <u>Per Month</u>
<u>Delivered Cost of Energy - Energy Charge:</u>	
Rate No. 10 - Residential Service	\$0.00402 (R)
Rate No. 11 - Residential Service with Space Heating.....	\$0.00402 (R)
Rate No. 14 - Residential Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.00402 (R)
Rate No. 15 - Residential Dual Fuel and Controlled Services.....	\$0.00402 (R)
Rate No. 16 - Interruptible Irrigation Service	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 17 - Irrigation Service	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 18 - Off Peak Irrigation Service.....	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 21 - General Service	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 23 - Commercial Water Heating.....	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 24 - Commercial Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 25 - All-Inclusive Commercial Service	\$0.00437 (R)
Rate No. 41 - Municipal Pumping Service	\$0.00366 (R)
Rate No. 70 - Contolled Off Peak Service.....	\$0.00000 (R)
Rate No. 19 - Reddy-Guard, Rate No. 56 - Street and Area Lighting	\$0.00402 (R)

	Per KW <u>Per Month</u>
<u>Delivered Cost of Energy - Demand Charge:</u>	
Rate No. 33 - Commercial and Industrial Service	\$0.95 (R)
Rate No. 34 - Large Commercial and Industrial Service	\$0.95 (R)

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	President & CEO

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Section No. 3
Sheet No.33b
41st Revised
Canceling 40th Revised Sheet No. 33b

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES (cont'd)

Ad Valorem Taxes Paid - Energy Charge

	Per KWH <u>Per Month</u>
Rate No. 10 - Residential Service.....	\$0.00244 (R)
Rate No. 11 - Residential Service with Space Heating.....	\$0.00244 (R)
Rate No. 14 - Residential Space Heating and Cooling.....	\$0.00244 (R)
Rate No. 15 - Residential Dual Fuel and Controlled Services.....	\$0.00244 (R)
Rate No. 16 - Interruptible Irrigation Service.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 17 - Irrigation Service.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 18 - Off Peak Irrigation Service.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 21 - General Service.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 23 - Commercial Water Heating.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 24 - Commercial Space Heating and Cooling.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 25 - All-Inclusive Commercial Service.....	\$0.00265 (R)
Rate No. 41 - Municipal Pumping Service.....	\$0.00224 (R)
Rate No. 70 - Controlled Off Peak Service.....	\$0.00000
Rate No. 19 - Reddy-Guard, Rate No. 56 - Street and Area Lighting.....	\$0.00224 (R)

Ad Valorem Taxes Paid - Demand Charge:

	Per KW <u>Per Month</u>
Rate No. 33 - Commercial and Industrial Service.....	\$0.57 (R)
Rate No. 34 - Large Commercial and Industrial Service.....	\$0.57 (R)

Delivered Cost of Fuel - All Energy Usage:

	Per KWH <u>Per Month</u>
All Rate Schedules.....	\$0.02787 (R)

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