



April 30, 2025

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building 500 E. Capitol Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Pursuant to Section No. 3, Sheet No. 33.1 (5) of NorthWestern Energy's Electric Tariff, enclosed is 327th Revised Sheet No. 33a and 110th 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 May 1, 2025.

The effect of Sheet Nos. 33a and 33b for a typical Rate 10 residential service customer using 750 Kwh per month would be an increase in the monthly cost of \$1.92. The new monthly cost effective May 1, 2025 is \$119.08. The monthly cost effective February 1, 2025 was \$117.16.

In Docket EL14-106, NorthWestern received approval to pass the Production Tax Credits (PTC's) from the Beethoven Wind Farm back to customers via the fuel tracker. The PTC's will end in May 2025, which is 10 years after they began. Given 2025 is the final year, this filing removes PTC credits for all months after May.

NorthWestern currently has a deferred tax balance for the PTC's. The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 created the ability to monetize that deferred tax balance for PTC's realized after 2022. In Docket EL23-016, NorthWestern proposed monetizing PTC's as a way to reduce the deferred tax balance, which benefits ratepayers in the long run. The commission approved, and allowed any costs associated with monetizing the PTCs to be passed to customers via the fuel tracker, as long as the benefits to rate payers were demonstrated to be greater than the costs of doing the monetizing transaction. In March 2024, NorthWestern monetized its 2024 PTC's. Exhibit E of this filing demonstrates the benefit to customers. The transaction costs of \$851,464 are offset by slightly more than one year of return the customers would have paid on the deferred tax balance. The bottom row of Exhibit E shows the Total and Net Present Value of the benefit to customers of this transaction for the length of time the PTC's would be in rate base.



Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

## Jeff J. Decker

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### SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRIC RATE SCHEDULE

# NORTHWESTERN ENERGY PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY SOUX FALLS SOUTH DAKOTA 327th Revised Sheet No. 33a Canceling 326th Revised Sheet No. 33a

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES	Per KWH	
	Per Month	
<u>Delivered Cost of Energy - Energy Charge:</u>		
Rate No. 10 - Residential Service	\$0.00936	I
Rate No. 11 - Residential Service with Space Heating	\$0.00936	I
Rate No. 14 - Residential Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.00936	I
Rate No. 15 - Residential Dual Fuel and Controlled Services	\$0.00936	I
Rate No. 16 - Interruptible Irrigation Service	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 17 - Irrigation Service	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 18 - Off Peak Irrigation Service	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 21 - General Service		I
Rate No. 23 - Commercial Water Heating	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 24 - Commercial Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 25 - All-Inclusive Commercial Service	\$0.01019	I
Rate No. 41 - Municipal Pumping Service	\$0.00854	I
Rate No. 70 - Controlled Off Peak Service	\$0.00716	I
Rate No. 19 - Reddy-Guard, Rate No. 56 - Street and Area Lighting	. \$0.00936	I
	Per KW	
	Per Month	
<u>Delivered Cost of Energy - Demand Charge:</u>		
Rate No. 33 - Commercial and Industrial Service	•	ı
Rate No. 34 - Large Commercial and Industrial Service	\$2.20	I

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# NORTHWESTERN ENERGY PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY SOUX FALLS SOUTH DAKOTA 110th Revised Sheet No. 33b Canceling 109th Revised Sheet No. 33b

ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES (cont'd)	Per KWH
	Per Month
Ad Valorem Taxes Paid - Energy Charge	
Rate No. 10 - Residential Service	\$0.00376
Rate No. 11 - Residential Service with Space Heating	\$0.00376
Rate No. 14 - Residential Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.00376
Rate No. 15 - Residential Dual Fuel and Controlled Services	\$0.00376
Rate No. 16 - Interruptible Irrigation Service	\$0.00408
Rate No. 17 - Irrigation Service	
Rate No. 18 - Off Peak Irrigation Service	\$0.00408
Rate No. 21 - General Service	
Rate No. 23 - Commercial Water Heating	\$0.00408
Rate No. 24 - Commercial Space Heating and Cooling	\$0.00408
Rate No. 25 - All-Inclusive Commercial Service	\$0.00408
Rate No. 41 - Municipal Pumping Service	\$0.00345
Rate No. 70 - Controlled Off Peak Service	
Rate No. 19 - Reddy-Guard, Rate No. 56 - Street and Area Lighting	\$0.00381
	Per KW
	Per Month
Ad Valorem Taxes Paid - Demand Charge:	
Rate No. 33 - Commercial and Industrial Service	\$0.88
Rate No. 34 - Large Commercial and Industrial Service	\$0.88
	Per KWH
	Per Month
Delivered Cost of Fuel - All Energy Usage:	
All Rate Schedules	\$0.02579

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