

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY NORTHERN)
STATES POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF)
AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.)**

**ORDER APPROVING)
ECONOMIC)
DEVELOPMENT PLAN)
EL 95-007)**

On April 26, 1995, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received Northern States Power Company's (NSP's) proposed Economic Development Plan for 1995. The proposed plan was filed in accordance with the settlement agreements reached between NSP and Commission Staff, and approved by the Commission in the company's most recent rate case filings, Dockets EL90-13 and EL92-016. The Commission approved NSP's Economic Development Plan for 1994 on April 28, 1994.

For 1995, NSP's proposed economic development investment budget is \$107,500. The actual expenditures for the 1994 economic development plan were \$7,500 less than the approved 1994 budget of \$102,000. Fifty percent of the 1995 budget would be recovered through rates, with the remaining 50% funded by shareholders.

At its regularly scheduled May 30, 1995, meeting, the Commission reviewed NSP's Economic Development Plan for 1995. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, SDCL 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-6. After review of the plan, the Commission found the plan is just and reasonable and voted to approve it. It is therefore

ORDERED, that NSP's Economic Development Plan for 1995 is approved as filed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 22nd day of June, 1995.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail in properly addressed envelopes with charges prepaid thereon.
By <u>Gene L. Whidrow</u>
Date <u>June 26, 1995</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kenneth Stofferahn
KENNETH STOFFERAHN, Chairman

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner

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