

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR) APPROVAL TO REVISE ITS OCCASIONAL) DELIVERY ENERGY SERVICE AND TIME OF) DELIVERY ENERGY SERVICE)	ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS EL96-006
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On May 6, 1996, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Northern States Power Company (NSP) requesting approval to revise its rate sheets for the Occasional Delivery Energy Service and Time of Delivery Energy Service. NSP asked for approval of the following revised tariff sheets of its Electric Rate Schedule:

Occasional Delivery Energy Service, Section No. 7, 7th Revised Sheet No. 2
Time of Delivery Energy Service, Section No. 7, 7th Revised Sheet No. 3

NSP's application stated: "The proposed Occasional Delivery Energy Service rate sheet is revised to reflect a slightly higher metering charge and energy payment. The energy payment is based on the Company's 1996 avoided energy cost level. The proposed Time of Delivery Energy Service rate sheet is revised to reflect a comparable slight increase of metering charge as the Occasional Delivery Energy Service. Also, energy and capacity payments are revised to reflect the Company's 1996 avoided costs."

At its regularly scheduled June 12, 1996, meeting the Commission discussed final approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10 and 49-34A-12. The Commission found the rate changes are just and reasonable and approved the revised tariffs. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED that NSP's aforementioned revised tariffs are approved and shall be effective for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of June, 1996.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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