

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)
NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, INC.)
FOR APPROVAL OF ITS NEW CUSTOMER)
INFORMATION BROCHURE)

ORDER GRANTING
APPROVAL

EL96-018

On July 17, 1996, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Northern States Power Company, Inc. (NSP) for Commission approval of a new customer information brochure. This new brochure will reflect the new billing format that was approved by the Commission on November 21, 1995.

At its regularly scheduled July 30, 1996, meeting, the Commission considered NSP's request for approval. As Commission staff had reached an agreement with NSP as to the content of the brochure, staff recommended approval of the brochure, based upon those changes agreed upon and incorporated herein.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to ARSD 20:10:16:02 and SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-3, 49-34A-4, and 49-34A-27. Further, the Commission finds that the brochure, contents as agreed upon, meets the requirements of ARSD 20:10:16:02. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED that the request seeking approval of the new customer information brochure is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 6th day of August, 1996.

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: *William Kalbo*

Date: 8/6/96

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kenneth Stofferahn
KENNETH STOFFERAHN, Chairman

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner