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Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57101

July 18, 2013

--VIA ELECTRONIC FILING--

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

RE: APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA
CORPORATION, FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN
SOUTH DAKOTA
INTERIM RATE REFUND COMPLIANCE LETTER
DOCKET NO. EL12-046

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company has completed its electric interim rate refund in the above noted docket.

We began implementation of the interim rate refund on June 4, 2013 with all credits applied to customer accounts as of July 8, 2013. The credit process went smoothly and according to our refund plan filed with the Commission on March 19, 2013. As discussed in the refund plan, the total refund obligation includes the interim rate refund plus interest and is net of the infrastructure rider revenues for January through April of 2013.

Attachment E to this filing shows a summary by customer class of the actual amounts returned to customers with Attachments A through D providing the supportive summary and monthly information.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing please contact Deb Paulson at (612) 330-7571 or debra.j.paulson@xcelenergy.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Wilcox'.

JAMES C. WILCOX
MANAGER, GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Enclosure