

April 16, 2014

--Via Electronic Filing--

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capital Building 500 East Capital Ave Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

RE: UPDATED SCHEDULES

2014 TRANSMISSION COST RECOVERY ELIGIBILITY AND RATE RIDER

DOCKET NO. EL14-016

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On February 21, 2014, Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission a petition for approval of our 2014 Transmission Cost Recovery project eligibility, TCR rate factors, and tracker account report. On April 15, 2014, the Commission voted to approve our Petition with a May 1, 2014 implementation date, provided we remove the costs associated with the Hollydale project and update our rate factor accordingly. In response to the Commission's decision, we have evaluated the impact of removing the Hollydale project from our 2014 TCR request. The revised rate factor to be implemented on May 1 is \$0.002868. For your information, we have also attached updated Schedules 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 15 and 16, which were impacted by the removal of the Hollydale project and support the revised rate factor, for review by Commissioners and SDPUC Staff.

Given the time needed to design and print the bill inserts reflecting the rate comparison required by ARSD 20:10:16:01(2), bill inserts will be included in customer bills beginning June 1, 2014. In the interim, we will include the following bill message on customer bills to coincide with the May 1 implementation date:

This month the Transmission Cost Recovery (TCR) Adjustment, which recovers the costs and expenses of new or modified transmission facilities, will be increasing from \$0.000 per kWh to \$0.002868 per kWh. Questions? Contact us at 1-800-895-4999.

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Please call me at (605) 339-8350 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

SINCERELY,

/s/

JAMES C. WILCOX PRINCIPAL MANAGER

Enclosure