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**--Via Electronic Filing--**

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
500 E. Capitol Ave.  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: PETITION  
2016 INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER PROJECT ELIGIBILITY AND FACTOR UPDATE  
DOCKET NO. EL15-\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits the enclosed 2016 Infrastructure Rider Petition for approval of project eligibility, a revised Infrastructure rider Adjustment Factor, and the Tracker Account report. We have prepared this Petition consistent with the terms of the Settlement Agreement as approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's Order approving our most recent rate case filing in Docket No. EL14-058.

Please contact Deb Paulson at (612) 330-7571 or [debra.j.paulson@xcelenergy.com](mailto:debra.j.paulson@xcelenergy.com) or call me at (605) 339-8350 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

SINCERELY,

/s/

JAMES C. WILCOX  
PRINCIPAL MANAGER

Enclosure