



December 3, 2021

--Via Electronic Filing--

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

RE: PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF A WAIVER TO RETURN TO CUSTOMERS

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS DOCKET NO. EL11-023, EL16-001, EL19-002

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On November 26, 2021 Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submitted to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission a Petition for a waiver to the Order in Docket No. EL19-002 which requires the Company to return future Department of Energy (DOE) settlement proceeds to customers within 90 days of receipt of payment from the DOE. The Company is requesting approval of an additional 30 days to complete the return of the twelfth DOE payment to South Dakota customers for the DOE's partial breach of its contract to take spent nuclear fuel. With this letter, Xcel Energy respectfully withdraws the Petition filed on November 26, 2021. The Company understands that the Commission prefers to address this matter in a separate docket and, therefore, we will be filing a new Petition.

If you have any questions regarding this filing please contact Steve Kolbeck at (605) 339-8350 or Steven.T.Kolbeck@xcelenergy.com.

Sincerely,

/s/

STEVE KOLBECK PRINCIPAL MANAGER

Enclosures