#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Kristie Fiegen Gary Hanson Chris Nelson Chairperson Vice Chairman Commissioner

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF 2019 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND 2020 BUDGET

DOCKET NO.: EL20-\_\_\_\_

PETITION

### INTRODUCTION

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, operating in South Dakota, submits the enclosed documents, which are in accordance with Docket EL91-004 and EL14-058, to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for approval of our 2019 Economic Development Activities and 2020 Budget.

# I. GENERAL FILING INFORMATION

# A. Utility Employee Responsible for Filing

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# B. Date of Filing and Date Modified Rates Take Effect

Xcel Energy submits this Petition for approval on February 26, 2020. This submission has no effect on current rates.

# II. DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF FILING

The Company submits the enclosed documents for approval of our 2019 Economic Development Activities and proposed 2020 Economic Development Budget.

The report is organized as follows:

Attachment A: 2019 Economic Development BudgetAttachment B: 2019 Economic Development ExpendituresAttachment C: Proposed 2020 Economic Development Budget.

In addition, Attachment D provides documentation in support of the Company's actual 2019 economic development expenditures. The Company's bank account information has been redacted.

Attachment E: Seven Year History

In 2019, none of the expended dollars were utilized for lobbying expenses for Xcel Energy or any other association that received funding during the year. Additionally, all dollars that are budgeted for 2020 will not be utilized for any lobbying expenses.

In 2019, there were no Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), Certified Ready Site program applications thus the reason that the budgeted \$10,000 dollars were reverted back to Rural Community Support. As you will see in this year's filing, the rural support went to the communities of Emery and Garretson in addition to the new Lincoln County Economic Development Association (LCEDA), Minnehaha County Economic Development Association (MCEDA), and ISG, Inc. a professional design and engineering firm.

# III. EFFECT OF THE CHANGE UPON XCEL ENERGY REVENUE

There is no effect on the Company's current revenues.

### IV. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

The Company requests that the following persons be placed on the Commission's official service list for this matter:

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### CONCLUSION

The Company respectfully requests the Commission approve the proposed 2019 Economic Development Activities and 2020 Budget.

Dated: February 26, 2020

Northern States Power Company