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To: PUC-PUC < <u>PUC@state.sd.us</u>> Subject: [EXT] Docket #EL22-017

September 12, 2022

RE: Commission Docket #EL22-017 - In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Authority to Increase its Electric Rates

Dear PUC Commissioners and Consumer Affairs Representatives,

We have just been informed as to an application for a large rate increase by Xcel Energy Company. We implore you to reject this application at this time and any time in the near future.

Both my husband (72 yrs) and I (65 yrs) receive minimal social security of a combined \$1576 a month and have had to obtain jobs to supplement our income in order to pay our bills. We have had rate increases in all our insurances, medicines, and other utilities along with the prices of food, gas, taxes, and other essentials climbing drastically. With the amount of all these increases, we are unsure of how we or any other senior citizens, or families for that matter will be able to make it without losing everything.

We ask that you request a review of Xcel Energy's profits before making any decision in regards to a rate increase and what, if any, will benefit their customers and not line their own pockets in these uncertain economical times.

Thank you for your consideration in this dire matter.

Sincerely,

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