

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY DBA XCEL ENERGY FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 2025 INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER PROJECT ELIGIBILITY AND FACTOR UPDATE

) **ORDER ASSESSING FILING FEE;**
) **ORDER AUTHORIZING**
) **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO**
) **ENTER INTO CONSULTING**
) **CONTRACTS**
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) **EL24-029**

On August 30, 2024, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Petition by Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy (Xcel) for approval of its 2025 Infrastructure Rider Project Eligibility and Factor Update. Xcel requests approval of the Infrastructure Rider Tracker Report and true-up for the 2024 revenue requirements, including Production Tax Credits (PTC) and the PTC tracker mechanism, 2025 Infrastructure Rider revenue requirements of \$3,036,215, an updated Infrastructure Rider Factor of \$0.001366 per kWh, an updated Infrastructure Rider tariff sheet, and proposed customer notice. Xcel proposes a January 1, 2025, effective date. Xcel proposes the rate of \$0.001366 per kWh applied to all energy billed to each customer class during calendar year 2025. Xcel estimates a bill impact of \$1.02 per month for a residential electric customer using 750 kWh per month, a decrease of \$0.86 compared to the current rate. Xcel proposes to include five new projects as well as the gains on sale for the Sherco Land Sale.

On September 5, 2024, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 20, 2024, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments have been filed to date.


The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A-77.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on September 10, 2024, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission voted unanimously to assess a filing fee as requested by Commission staff up to the statutory limit of \$250,000 to account for actual expenses incurred in review of this filing commencing from the filing date and to give the executive director authority to enter into consulting contracts. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Xcel shall be assessed a filing fee pursuant to SDCL 49-34A-77 for actual expenses incurred by the Commission commencing from the filing date not to exceed \$250,000. It is further

ORDERED, that the executive director shall have the authority to enter into necessary consulting contracts.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 11th day of September 2024.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.
By: <u></u>
Date: <u>11 Sept 2024</u>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson


GARY HANSON, Commissioner


CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner