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January 12, 2015

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

RE: NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF FIFTH PAYMENT
CREDIT MECHANISM FOR A DOE SETTLEMENT
DOCKET NO. EL11-023

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On August 16, 2011, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation doing business as Xcel Energy, submitted its request for approval of a credit mechanism for funds received from a settlement with the Department of Energy. In its January 30, 2012 Order in this docket, the Commission approved a one-time bill credit for the initial settlement amount and directed the Company to credit future settlement payments to ratepayers using the same one-time bill credit method within 90 days of receipt from DOE. The most recent settlement payment from the DOE was received on December 18, 2014. We submit this report in compliance with the Commission's January 30, 2012 ORDER in the above-referenced Docket.

DOE Settlement Payment

The Company received the fifth payment totaling \$32,761,328.77 on December 18, 2014. As with previous payments, we deposited the funds into an external interest bearing account. Please see Attachment A to this Notice for a copy of the wire

¹ Order Approving Credit Mechanism; Order Approving Deferred Accounting Treatment of Future Settlement Proceeds, Docket EL11-023.

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transfer confirming the amount received. We have redacted company sensitive banking information contained on the wire transfer documentation.

For a breakdown of the jurisdictional amount for South Dakota retail customers and allocations of the fifth payment by customer class, please see Attachment B to this Notice.

Pursuant to the Commission's Order in this docket, implementation of the credit to South Dakota customers resulting from the fifth payment will be completed by March 18, 2015.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 612-330-6935.

Sincerely,

/s/

GAIL BARANKO MANAGER, REGULATORY PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Enclosures

Northern States Power Company

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Custom 12/18/2014 10:39 AM ET CUSTOMER ID: OPERATOR ID: Commercial Electronic Office®

XCEL ENERGY INC.

Intraday Composite Report As of 12/18/2014

Treasury Information Reporting

Credit Amount:

Bank Ref:

Currency: USD Bank: Account:

NSPMNDOE

32,761,328.71

Credit Transactions

12/18/2014

145 / ACH CONCENTRATION CREDIT Cust Ref:
COMPANY NAME: CABW TREAS 310

ENTRY DESC: MISC PAY

CUSTOMER ID:
CUSTOMER NAME: NORTHERN STATES POWER
COMPANY ID:
ENTRY CLASS CODE: CCD

DISCRETIONARY DATA: 02 TRANSACTION CODE: 22

Account Net Amount 32,761,328.71

---- END OF REPORT ----

Northern States Power Company DOE Settlement -- Fifth Payment Summary to Each Jurisdiction Docket No. EL11-023 Attachment B Page 1 of 1

				Retail		Minn
<u>ltem</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>NSPM</u>	<u>Minn</u>	N. Dakota	S. Dakota	<u>Whisle</u>
Actual 2013 12 CP Allocator		100.0000%	87.7838%	6.2676%	5.8945%	0.0541%
Overall Actual Allocator *	<u>100.0000%</u>	<u>84.8812%</u>	74.5119%	5.3200%	5.0033%	0.0459%
Fifth Credit	\$32,761,329	\$27,808,209	\$24,411,103	\$1,742,907	\$1,639,155	\$15,044
* The MN Co / WI Co split uses a 36 CP allocator		W/ interest, thru 28 Feb 15: \$1,639,538		\$1,639,538		
				Retail		Wisc
<u>ltem</u>			<u>NSPW</u>	<u>Wisc</u>	<u>Mich</u>	<u>Whisle</u>
Actual 2013 12 CP Allocator			100.0000%	97.8877%	2.1123%	0.0000%
Overall Actual Allocator *			<u>15.1188%</u>	14.7995%	0.3193%	0.0000%
Fifth Credit			\$4,953,120	\$4,848,497	\$104,623	\$0

South Dakota	Ĭ					
Stratification Components	Weight **	Res	Sm Non Dm	C&I Demand	Lighting	Total
Capacity Component (D10C) ***	18.74%	46.20%	4.57%	48.94%	0.28%	100.00%
Energy Component (E8760) ***	81.26%	35.68%	4.87%	58.89%	0.56%	100.00%
Wtd Combination	100.00%	37.65%	4.81%	57.03%	0.51%	100.00%
[1] Fifth Credit, by Customer Class		\$617,277	\$78,898	\$935,019	\$8,344	\$1,639,538
[2] MWh Sales Nov 2013 - Oct 2014 ****		714,529	94,283	1,227,078	12,794	2,048,684
[3] Credit / kWh, [3] = [1] / [2] / 1000		\$0.000864	\$0.000837	\$0.000762	\$0.000652	\$0.000800
[4] Customer Count Nov 2013 - Oct 2014		77,200	8,631	3,469	420	89,720
[5] Est. kWh / Cust, [5] = [2] x 1000 / [4]		9,256	10,924	<u>353,710</u>	<u>30,469</u>	22,834
[6] Est. Credit / Customer, [6] = [3] x [5]		\$8.00	\$9.14	\$269.52	\$19.87	\$18.27