

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
BEFORE THE  
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
APPLICATION OF NORTHERN  
STATES POWER COMPANY DBA  
XCEL ENERGY FOR AUTHORITY TO  
INCREASE ITS ELECTRIC RATES

Docket No. EL25-024

MOTION FOR ADMISISON *PRO HAC*  
*VICE* OF IAN M. DOBSON

Zeviel T. Simpser, counsel for Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (“Xcel Energy”) in the above-captioned matter, hereby moves the court for an Order granting Ian M. Dobson permission to appear *pro hac vice* in the above-captioned matter, now pending before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as Docket EL25-024. Pursuant to South Dakota Codified Laws (SDCL) 16-18-2, grounds for this motion are as follows:

1. Ian M. Dobson is Lead Assistant General Counsel at Xcel Energy Services Inc., 401 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401, and in that role provides legal services and counsel to Xcel Energy, the Applicant in the above-captioned proceeding.

2. I am a Partner with Dorsey & Whitney LLP and an attorney admitted and licensed to practice law and in good standing in the State of South Dakota. Dorsey & Whitney’s address is 50 South Sixth Street, Suite 1500, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402. I will personally participate with Ian M. Dobson in the representation of Xcel Energy in the above-captioned matter.

3. I find Ian M. Dobson to be a reputable attorney and recommend his admission to practice before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Dobson is a member of good standing with the Minnesota State Bar and has not been

subject to disciplinary action by the Minnesota State Bar or Minnesota Court and has not been denied admission to any state or federal courts.

4. Mr. Dobson is not in private practice and is appearing on behalf of his employer for whom he is employed on a full-time basis. His appearance in this matter is part of his duties without additional compensation for this appearance.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request the court to issue an Order granting the admission, *pro hac vice*, of Ian M. Dobson to practice in this case before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

Dated: May 4, 2026

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