

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

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

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**JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

EL25-024

Staff (Staff) of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) and Northern States Power Company doing business as Xcel Energy (Xcel), each referred to as a “Party” and jointly referred to as “Parties”, hereby files a Joint Motion for Approval of Procedural Schedule.

Upon settling on a proposed procedural schedule, the Parties took into account the amount of time necessary to conduct discovery, participate in a settlement conference, and prepare testimony.

The Parties request the Commission establish a ten-calendar day deadline for responses to discovery requests unless a different period is agreed upon by the requesting Party and responding Party.

Contingent on the ten-day deadline for discovery responses, the Parties propose the following procedural schedule be adopted in this docket:

March 20, 2026	Staff and Intervenor testimony due
April 14, 2026	All Parties’ Rebuttal testimony due
April 21, 2026	File exhibits and witness list
April 28-April 30, 2026	Evidentiary Hearing

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request the Commission issue an order adopting the Joint Motion for Approval of Procedural Schedule as detailed in this Proposal, establishing a

ten-calendar day deadline for responses to discovery requests, and requiring submission of prefiled testimony.

Dated this 1st day of October 2025.



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