

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION ) OF NORTHERN STATES POWER ) COMPANY DBA XCEL ENERGY FOR ) APPROVAL OF ITS 2016 DEMAND ) SIDE MANAGEMENT REPORT AND ) 2018 PROPOSED DEMAND SIDE ) MANAGEMENT PLAN )</b>	<b>ORDER APPROVING 2016 DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT REPORT AND 2018 PROPOSED DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PLAN</b>  <b>EL17-019</b>
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On April 29, 2017, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a petition from Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy (Xcel) requesting approval of its 2016 annual demand side management (DSM) status report and 2018 DSM Plan. Specifically, Xcel requests approval of its 2016 DSM Tracker account, the incentive earned for 2016 program performance, the proposed 2018 electric DSM Adjustment Factor of \$0.000515 per kWh, and the proposed 2018 DSM Plan.

On May 4, 2017, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 19, 2017, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed.

On October 12, 2017, Xcel filed an updated petition and revisions to the proposed 2018 DSM plan. On October 13, 2017, Xcel filed its responses to Commission staff's data requests and revised the proposed 2018 DSM Cost Adjustment Factor from \$0.000515 per kWh to \$0.000510 per kWh. Xcel requests an effective date of January 1, 2018, for the DSM Cost Adjustment Factor. The revised DSM Cost Adjustment Factor tariff sheet is as follows:

South Dakota Electric Rate Book - SDPUC No. 2

Section No. 5

5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 73

Cancelling 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 73

At its regularly scheduled meeting on December 5, 2017, the Commission considered and deferred this matter to its next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-8.2, 49-34A-10, 49-34A-11, and 49-34A-12.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on December 19, 2017, the Commission again considered this matter. Commission staff recommended that the Commission approve Xcel's 2016 Tracker account, the incentive earned for 2016 program performance, the DSM Plan for 2018, and the proposed DSM Cost Adjustment Factor of \$0.000510 per kWh for 2018. Upon review of Xcel's 2016 DSM program results, the Commission finds that the 2016 DSM Tracker account was properly calculated and that the program was properly executed thereby entitling Xcel to receive the 2016 performance incentive. The Commission further finds that the 2018 DSM Plan is just and reasonable. The Commission further finds that the revised 2018 DSM Cost Adjustment Factor of \$0.000510 per kWh was properly calculated and is just and reasonable. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the petition. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Xcel's 2016 DSM status report, the Tracker account, and the performance incentive are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that Xcel's 2018 DSM Plan and the budget are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that the 2018 DSM Cost Adjustment Factor of \$0.000510 per /kWh, and the associated tariff sheet, are hereby approved with an effective date of January 1, 2018.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2017.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u>Karen E. Cremer</u></p> <p>Date: <u>12/21/17</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner