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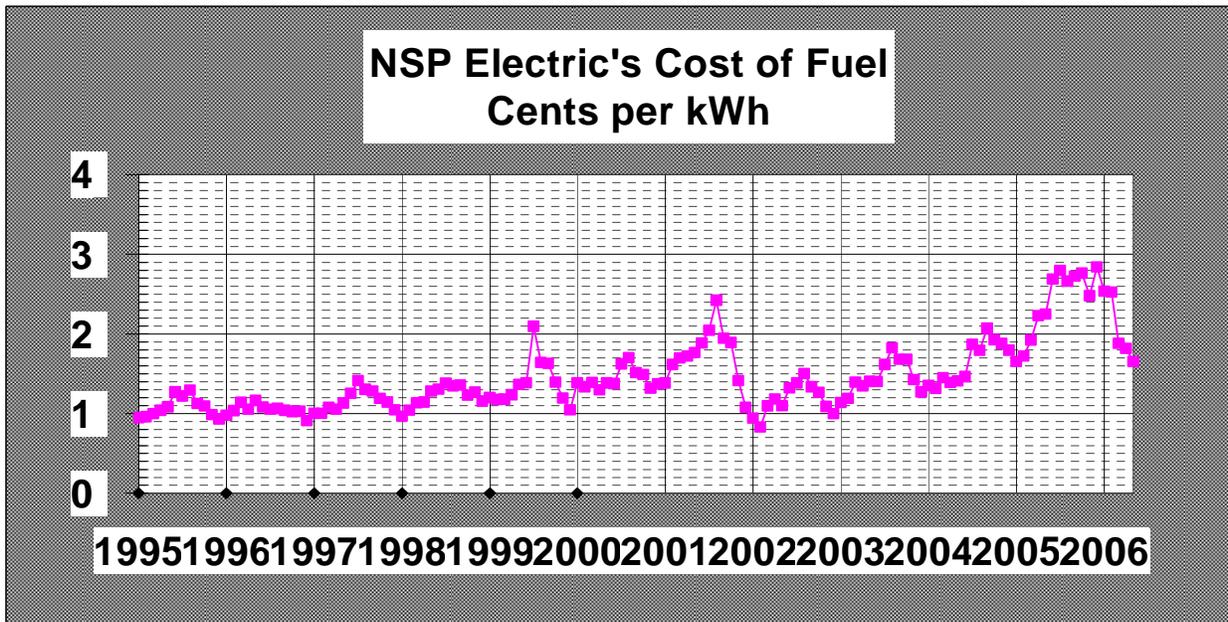
**Northern States Power Company
July 2006
Fuel Cost Adjustment**

Case No. PU-06-272

NSP decreased its electric fuel cost adjustment by 0.163 cents per kWh from 0.726 cents per kWh. The resulting fuel cost adjustment for May is 0.563 cents per kWh.

Combining NSP's Fuel Cost Adjustment with its 1.092 cents per kWh base cost of fuel already included in base tariff rates brings NSP's total cost of fuel for the month of July to 1.655 cents per kWh as shown on the graph below.

As a result of this change, the electric bill for a typical NSP residential customer consuming 750 kWh will decrease by \$1.22 for bills rendered in the month of July.



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