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

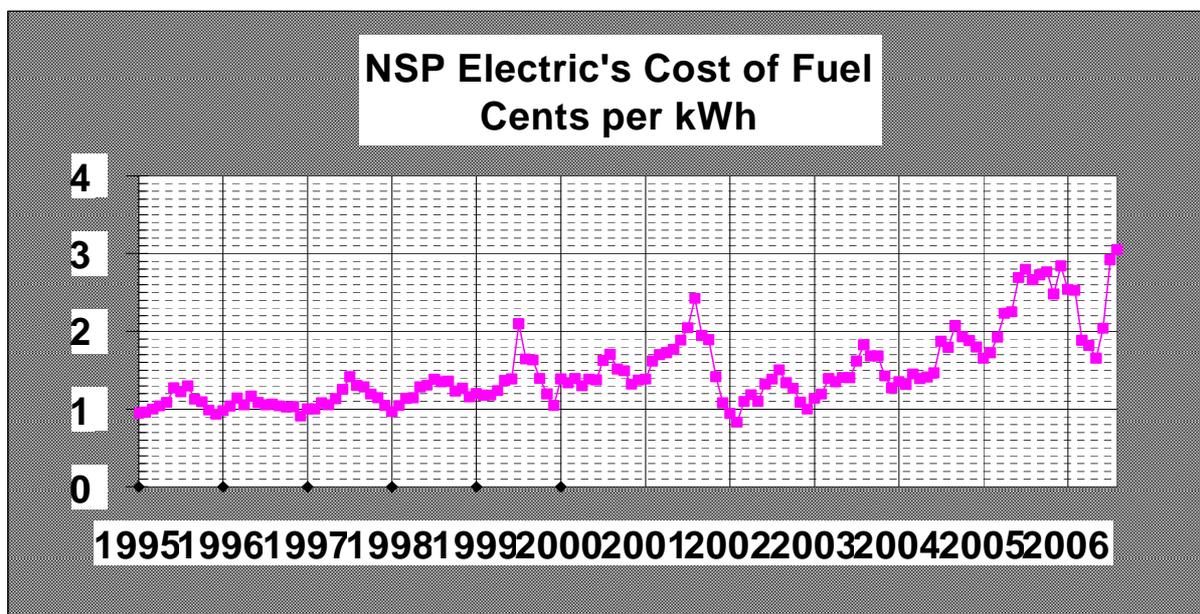
**Case No. PU-06-426**

NSP increased its electric fuel cost adjustment by 0.131 cents per kWh from 1.882 cents per kWh. The resulting fuel cost adjustment for October is 1.957 cents per kWh.

NSP's October Fuel Cost Adjustment includes a surcharge of 0.104 cents per kWh that corrects a calculation error from last month's adjustment that resulted in under recovery of \$176,143 of PLUS Plan 2004 earnings deficiency that was authorized for recovery in Case No. PU-05-265.

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 average cost of fuel for billing during the month of October to 3.049 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 increase by \$0.98 for bills rendered in the month of October.



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