

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
December 18, 2002

**Northern States Power Company
December 2002
Purchased Gas Adjustment**

**PU-400-02-629
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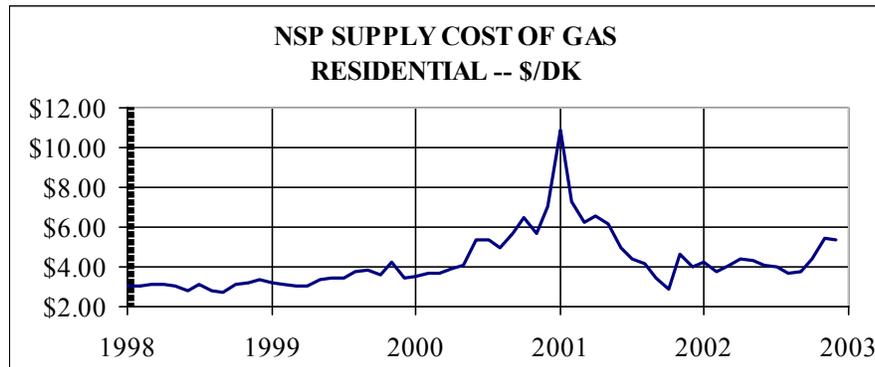
SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

In this filing, NSP is decreasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$.0842 per dK for gas used on and after December 2, 2002. This changes the current residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$5.4130 per dK to \$5.3288 per dK.

The decrease for residential customers results from:

- \$.0842 per dK decrease in the commodity cost of gas
- no change in the demand cost of gas

Natural gas commodity prices decreased, in part, due to strong national storage levels.



This change in cost of gas decreases the bill by \$1.42 for a residential customer with usage of 16.9 dK in December.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.

MOTION

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I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's December 2002 purchased gas adjustment, Case No. PU-400-02-629.

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