

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
November 20, 2003

**Northern States Power Company**  
**November 2003**  
**Purchased Gas Adjustment**

**PU-400-03-631**  
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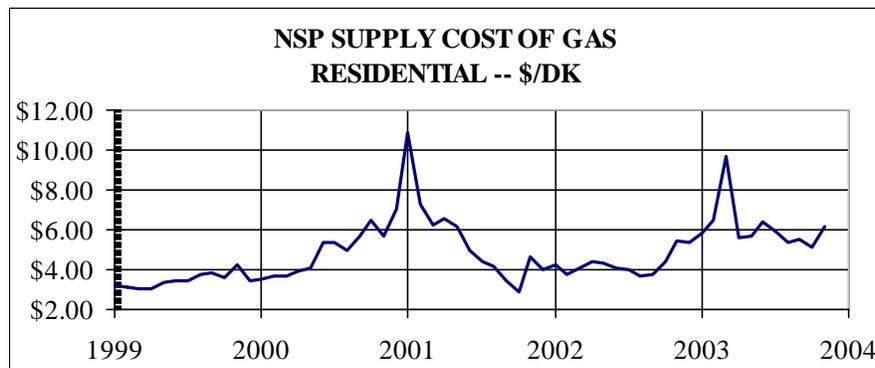
**SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:**

In this filing, NSP is increasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$1.0404 per dK for gas used on and after November 2, 2003. This changes the current residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$5.1178 per dK to \$6.1582 per dK.

The increase for residential customers results from:

- \$.3727 per dK increase in the commodity cost of gas
- \$.6677 per dK increase in the demand cost of gas

NSP states that the commodity price increase is due, in part, to seasonal factors. Demand costs increased due to tariff changes on Northern Natural gas pipeline and the inclusion of the seasonal rate factor approved in the last NSP rate proceeding.



This change in cost of gas increases the bill by \$12.80 for a residential customer with usage of 12.3 dK. There were 39,332 NSP gas customers in North Dakota as of December 31, 2002.

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>.

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I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's cost of gas adjustment for November 2003, Case No. PU-400-03-631.

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