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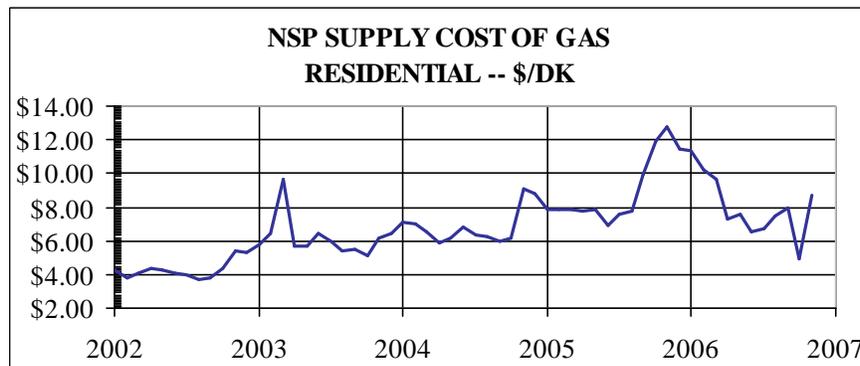
Northern States Power Company
November 2006
Cost of Gas Adjustment

PU-06-457
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SUMMARY:

NSP is increasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$3.8394 per dekatherm (dK) compared to last month. This gas adjustment will be applied to natural gas used by NSP residential customers on and after November 1, 2006. This filing changes the residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$4.8915 per dK to \$8.7309 per dK.

For residential consumption of 9.9 dk (representative of November), the cost of gas in the bill will be approximately \$37.93 higher than last month and \$39.86 lower than November 2005. As of December 31, 2005, NSP served 36,233 residential gas customers, and a total of 42,531 gas customers, in Fargo, Grand Forks and surrounding communities.



The increase for residential customers results from:

- \$3.2181 per dk increase in the commodity cost of gas; and
- \$0.6213 per dk increase in interstate pipeline costs.

The increase in commodity costs is attributed to the market regulating itself after the unexpectedly low October prices and the short term weather forecast recently revised to colder. Of the increase in pipeline costs, \$0.6038 results from implementing the Winter Demand unit cost provision under NSP's Cost of Gas Rider.

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 Cost of Gas Adjustment for November 2006, Case No. PU-06-457.

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