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Darrell Nitschke **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**  
Executive Secretary **AND U.S. MAIL -**  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol Building, Department 408  
600 East Boulevard  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480

Re: Xcel Energy Interim Electric Rate Refund  
Case No. PU-07-776

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

On March 1, 2009, Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (“Xcel Energy” or the “Company”), implemented final approved rates for electric service in Case No. PU-07-776 pursuant to the North Dakota Public Service Commission’s (“Commission”) corrected Order Adopting Settlement issued on January 14, 2009. The approved rates were lower than the interim rates that the Company collected from February 5, 2008 through February 28, 2009. Thus, the Company submitted an interim refund plan as Attachment 10 of its January 21, 2009 rate compliance filing and began making preparations to refund the difference to customers during the May billing month.

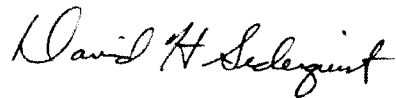
On April 29, 2009, we filed the final interim refund calculations showing a total refund obligation of \$6,196,507. One-time customer refunds in the form of bill credits were posted to active customer accounts during the month of May per the interim refund plan and the calculations detailed in our April 29 submittal. Refund checks were sent to those customers that were active during the interim term but whose accounts are now closed. The refund process was completed May 29, 2009.

The Company actually posted refunds to customer accounts totaling \$6,196,670. Of this amount, \$20,196 was posted to accounts with balances due that are unlikely to be paid off. These refunds will offset any future write-off expense related to these uncollectable accounts.

The average residential refund including interest was \$24.66 per service. A total of 102,795 residential customers were due a refund. This includes customers that were not active for the entire year. Attachment A to this report summarizes the actual amount distributed to each customer class.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please call me at (701) 241-8632.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David H. Sederquist".

David H. Sederquist  
Sr. Consultant, Regulation & Finance  
Xcel Energy

cc: Michael Diller, NDPSC

Attachment

**Xcel Energy**  
**Electric Utility - State of North Dakota**  
**INTERIM REFUND INFORMATION BY CLASS**

**Attachment A**  
**Case No. PU-07-776**  
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	<u>Interim Revenue Collected</u>	<u>Refund Obligation (with interest)</u>	<u>Actual Refund Distribution</u>
Residential	\$7,078,022	\$2,534,218	\$2,534,743
Commercial & Industrial	\$9,945,300	\$3,560,819	\$3,560,425
Other Sales to Public Authorities	\$104,358	\$37,364	\$37,377
Public Street & Highway Lighting	<u>\$179,043</u>	<u>\$64,105</u>	<u>\$64,125</u>
Total	<u>\$17,306,723</u>	<u>\$6,196,507</u>	<u>\$6,196,670</u>