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—Via Electronic Filing—

RE: EXTENSION REQUEST  
INACCURATE GAS METERS, RECALCULATION OF BILLS, AND RELATED ISSUES  
Docket No. G-002/CI-08-871

Dear Dr. Haar:

Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (“Xcel Energy” or the “Company”), respectfully requests an extension until January 26, 2009 to provide a more thorough reply to the January 2, 2009 Information Requests from the Minnesota Office of Energy Security (“OES”) in this proceeding. We have discussed this request with the OES, and they have indicated their support.

Copies of this filing have been served on the Office of the Attorney General – Residential Utilities Division and the parties in the attached service list.

Please contact me at (612) 330-6064 if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

/s/

BRIA E. SHEA  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Josie L. Oxley, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the foregoing document on the attached list of persons by e-filing, delivery by hand or by causing to be placed in the U.S. mail at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2009

/s/

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Josie L. Oxley

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