

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Northern States Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence –
Bay Front
Application**

Case No. PU-09-216

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

July 29, 2009

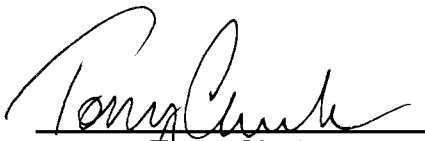
On May 27, 2009, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application for an advance determination of prudence for its proposed 20 MW Bay Front Project located in Northern Wisconsin. The Project will consist of installing a biomass gasification system to convert waste wood to synthetic gas to use for electric power generation.

The issue to be considered is whether NSP's proposed investment in the Bay Front Project is prudent?

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and requests for hearings must be received by **September 14, 2009**. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine these matters without a hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary, at least 24 hours in advance.

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