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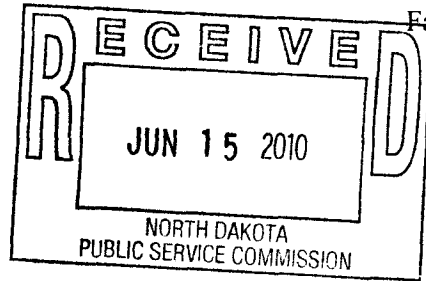
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Ilona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco
General Counsel
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Northern States Power Company, PU-09-659
OAH File No. 20090319

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat- Sacco:

On October 7, 2009, you requested the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Northern States Power Company - Advance Determination of Prudence - Bay Front (PU-09-659). I was designated to be assigned as a procedural administrative law judge to conduct the hearing, but not to make recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or to issue a recommended order. A hearing on this matter has not been scheduled. On February 9, 2010, Northern States Power filed a letter with the Commission requesting that the Commission temporarily suspend activity on the matter. On April 26, 2010, and June 14, 2010, I inquired about the disposition of this matter. On June 14, 2010, you informed me that I could close our file on this matter. I understand that the agency will issue the appropriate order, if necessary.

I am closing our file on this matter. There are no documents to return to the Commission for filing with the official agency record of this matter.

If a hearing is scheduled for this matter, please make a new request and a new administrative law judge designation will be made. Please coordinate acceptable dates for the hearing with the administrative law judge before scheduling the hearing.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Allen C. Hoberg
Administrative Law Judge

ACH/lmw

Cc: Megan Hertzler, Northern States Power Company