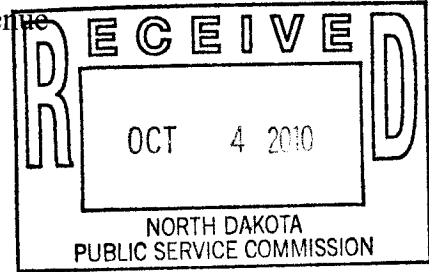


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October 01, 2010

RE: Public Service Commission - Xcel/Ottertail Power  
(PU-09-676; PU-09-678)

	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>
09/01/10 MDA Review dockets and obtain necessary information to review; begin reviewing file materials	4.00	
09/07/10 MDA Continued reviewing relevant file materials for work session	1.20	
09/08/10 MDA TC w/ Illona re: Commission Meeting today	0.20	
MDA Continued reviewing relevant material and attend by telephone commission meeting re: request for informal hearing	3.70	
09/12/10 MDA Began preparing for work session and review other docket entries for any relevant information	1.90	
09/13/10 MDA Prepare for work session	0.50	
MDA TC w/ Pat Fahn re: work session tomorrow	0.50	
MDA Prepare for work session	2.20	

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09/14/10 MDA Final preparation for and attend Commission work session	3.50	
09/20/10 MDA TC w/ Commission staff re: PPA and settlement agreement	0.20	
MDA TC w/ Zev Simpser re: PPA and informal hearing	0.30	
09/21/10 MDA Began reviewing documents provided by applicants	0.70	
09/22/10 MDA Reviewed revised settlement agreement and incorporate suggested changes re: same	0.70	
MDA TC w/ commission staff re: conference call w/ attorneys	0.20	
MDA Review and respond to emails re: conference call	0.10	
MDA Prepare for conference call w/ attorneys	0.50	
MDA Teleconference w/ advocacy staff counsel and applicants' counsel	0.90	
MDA Review email re: revisions to proposed settlement agreement	0.20	
MDA TC w/ Patrick Fahn re: conference call and revisions	0.20	
MDA Continued reviewing relevant portions of PPA for informal hearing	1.70	
MDA Reviewed emails and revised settlement agreement	0.30	

	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Amount</u>
09/22/10 MDA Prepare for informal hearing	1.00	
09/23/10 MDA Prepare for hearing	1.70	
MDA Attend informal hearing	2.00	
09/27/10 MDA Prepare for and attend work session	1.10	
09/29/10 MDA Reviewed and revised proposed order; email to Pat re: same	0.80	
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For professional services rendered	30.30	\$3,636.00
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Balance due		\$3,636.00
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Attorney Summary			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mitchell D. Armstrong (MDA) Attorney	30.30	120.00	\$3,636.00