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Attached is the memorandum that I wrote concerning the refund from the 2012 Rate Case (PU-11-55). Let me know if you have any questions.

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# Memorandum

To: Commissioners Kalk, Christmann and Fedorchak

From: Sara Cardwell, Public Utility Analyst

Date: April 29, 2013

Re: Response to Northern State Power Company's 2012 Revenue True-Up and Customer Refund Application  
Case Nos. PU-10-657, PU-11-55 & PU-11-557

On March 29, 2013, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed a 2012 Revenue True-Up and Customer Refund Application. On April 8, 2013, Staff requested the Company furnish work papers to support the one page Attachment included as part of their filing. On April 22, 2013, the Company supplied supporting work papers for Staff's review. The purpose of the Application is to comply with the Settlement Agreement in Case Nos. PU-10-657, PU-11-55 and PU-11-557 as well as Order Point 6 in the Commission's order in these dockets dated February 29, 2012. The Settlement Agreement and Order Point 6 required the Company to make a filing that compared the weather normalized actual retail revenues for 2012 to the Settlement projected revenues of \$199.426 million.

The actual weather adjusted revenues were \$119.626 million thereby resulting in an overcollection of \$201,000. As per the settlement agreement the Company is required to make a one-time bill refund. The Company proposes to implement this refund within 60 days of the Commission's approval of this refund. The refund will be a credit on the bills of active customers who made payments in 2012. A 2012 customer who no longer has an active account will receive a check if the refund amount is greater than \$2.00. Any amounts not refunded because customers cannot be located or the refund amount is under \$2.00 will be handled in accordance with North Dakota Century Code 47-30.1-08. This process is consistent with previous refunds issued by the Company in North Dakota.

The estimated refunds are as follows:

Residential	\$1.05
Small Commercial	\$7.64
Large Commercial	\$1,144.63
Street Lighting	\$19.37
Public Authorities	\$7.71

Staff believes this application satisfies the Settlement Agreement and the Commission's Order. Staff recommends approval.

cc: Dave Sederquist