

Lyle W. Kirmis  
Lance D. Schreiner, P.C.  
James S. Hill, P.C.  
Patrick J. Ward  
Rebecca S. Thiem, P.C.



Lawrence A. Dopson  
Lawrence E. King, P.C.  
Tracy Vigness Kolb, P.C.  
Constance N. Hofland

John A. Zuger  
(1940-2006)

**ZUGER KIRMIS & SMITH**  
Since 1909

Thomas O. Smith  
(1944-2001)

316 North Fifth Street  
P.O. Box 1695  
Bismarck, ND 58502-1695  
p: 701.223.2711  
f: 701.223.9619  
[www.zkslaw.com](http://www.zkslaw.com)  
[pward@zkslaw.com](mailto:pward@zkslaw.com)



March 4, 2014

Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Northern States Power Company  
OAH File No. 2013-0458  
PU-13-194

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

The above captioned case was consolidated with other cases involving NSP, dba Exel Energy. A consolidated hearing was held on January 23, 2014, in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the State Capitol. Thereafter, NSP and advocacy staff filed a revised Second Amended Settlement Agreement which was adopted by the Public Service Commission by Order Adopting Settlement dated February 26, 2014.

The matter is now closed and there is no longer any need for an administrative law judge in this matter. I am closing the file of the Office of Administrative Hearing in these cases.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Patrick J. Ward'.

Patrick J. Ward  
Administrative Law Judge

c: Mitch Armstrong  
Zeviel Simpser  
John Hamre  
Louise Wetzel

P:\PWARD\OAH\Northern States Power\Jeffcoat-Sacco.3.4.14b.doc

88 **PU-13-194** Filed: 3/5/2014 Pages: 1  
Letter closing OAH file