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Darrell Nitschke, Executive Director
 North Dakota Public Service Commission
 State Capitol Building, Dept 408
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RE: APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN NORTH DAKOTA
 CASE No. PU-12-813

RE: NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
 ADVANCED DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – COURTENAY WIND PROJECT APPLICATION
 CASE No. PU-13-706

RE: NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
 ADVANCED DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – ODELL WIND PROJECT APPLICATION
 CASE No. PU-13-707

RE: NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
 ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – PLEASANT VALLEY WIND PROJECT APPLICATION
 CASE No. PU-13-708

RE: NORTHERN STATE POWER COMPANY
 ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – BORDER WINDS PROJECT APPLICATION
 CASE No. PU-13-742

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- 161 PU-12-813 Filed 12/13/2013 Pages: 3
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RE: NORTHERN STATE POWER COMPANY
150 MW BORDER WINDS PROJECT – ROLETTE COUNTY PUBLIC CONVENIENCE
AND NECESSITY
CASE NO. PU-13-743

RE: NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – NG
GENERATOR APPLICATION
CASE NO. PU-13-194

RE: NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
RED RIVER VALLEY NG UNITS 1 & 2 – HANKINSON, ND PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY
CASE NO. PU-13-195

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

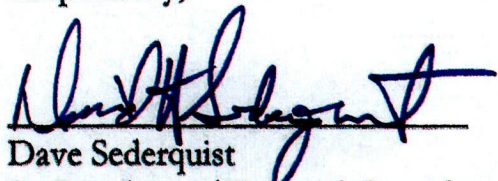
Northern States Power Company and Commission Advocacy Staff are pleased to file with the North Dakota Public Service Commission a Comprehensive Settlement in the above referenced Cases. This Comprehensive Settlement settles all open issues in these cases and provides for just and reasonable rates and a framework to ensure the Company's North Dakota's customers will be served by a resource mix consistent with North Dakota energy policy.

In light of this Comprehensive Settlement, the Company and Advocacy Staff respectfully request that the Commission delay further consideration of the above referenced cases while it analyzes the proposed Comprehensive Settlement. To assist the Commission in its review of this Comprehensive Settlement, the Company and Advocacy Staff are prepared to attend an informal hearing should the Commission schedule one.

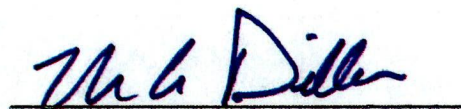
Consequently, the Company and Advocacy Staff also respectfully request a delay in the briefing schedules in these proceedings. In the event that the Comprehensive Settlement is not adopted by the Commission, both the Company and Advocacy Staff would expect to file brief in the above referenced proceedings upon a schedule mutually agreed to an approved by the Commission.

We are pleased to have achieved this Comprehensive Settlement and look forward to further discussing with the Commission. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

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Dave Sederquist
Sr. Regulatory/Financial Consultant
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Mike Diller
Director of Economic Regulation
North Dakota Public Service Commission