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- Via Email and Federal Express -

Darrell Nitschke, Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building, Dept 408
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 59505-0480

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE
FOR A 200 MW POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COURTENAY WIND
PROJECT
CASE NO. PU-13-706

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE
FOR A 200 MW POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ODELL WIND
PROJECT
CASE NO. PU-13-707

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE
FOR THE 200 MW PLEASANT VALLEY WIND PROJECT
CASE NO. PU-13-708

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER
COMPANY FOR AN ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE FOR THE 200
MW PLEASANT VALLEY WIND PROJECT
CASE NO. PU-13-708

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATE POWER COMPANY
FOR AN ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE FOR THE 150 MW BORDER
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CASE NO. PU-13-742

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATE POWER COMPANY
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY
FOR THE 150 MW BORDER WINDS PROJECT
CASE NO. PU-13-743

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code, Section 49-05-05, Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy (the Company or Xcel Energy) submits an original and ten (10) copies of our Rebuttal Testimony in the above-referenced case.

The following Rebuttal Testimony is being filed:

- Project Need and Costs, Impact of Minnesota Regulatory Requirements, and Cost Recovery Mechanism Testimony – Laura McCarten
- Project Analysis and Impacts – Kurtis Haeger

In addition, Xcel Energy is submitting in a sealed envelope labeled “**TRADE SECRET – PRIVATE**” one copy of the trade secret version of the Schedule 2 of the Rebuttal Testimony of Mr. Haeger.

Schedule 2 of the rebuttal testimony of Mr. Haeger includes Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) contract pricing information. The Company believes this information to be proprietary and of a privileged nature, and we consider it to be Trade Secret. Any rebuttal testimony containing trade secret information is marked “Non-Public” consistent with our Trade Secret Application dated July 26, 2013.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing at david.sedquist@xcelenergy.com or 701-241-8632.

Sincerely,



DAVID H. SEDERQUIST
SR. CONSULTANT, REGULATION & FINANCE

Enclosures