

Memorandum

To: Darrell Nitschke

From: Sara Cardwell, Public Utility Analyst

Date: June 14, 2016

Re: Response to Northern States Power Company's Compliance Filing
Fuel Cost Rider (FCR) Tariff
Case No. PU-12-813, ET. AL.

On March 9, 2016, the Commission issued an Order Adopting Settlement in the above referenced cases. The Order allows for the exclusion of the costs and volumes of fifteen Community-Based Energy Development (C-BED) and two small solar Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) from the fuel cost calculation. The Company's Qualifying System Cost of Fuel excluding these agreements is to be used as the price for the energy that would have been provided to North Dakota Customers absent the settlement.

On April 29, 2016, NSP filed a compliance filing to include these changes in its FCR Tariff. Staff expressed some concerns in regards to the tariff language. NSP revised its tariff language and resubmitted the FCR Tariff on June 7, 2016.

Staff has reviewed NSP's Revised Compliance Filing and believes that the proposed Tariff revisions are in accordance with the Commission's Order Adopting Settlement. No additional Commission action is required and the FCR Tariff revisions filed on June 7, 2016 will be effective with the Company's next FCR filing.

cc: Dave Sederquist

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