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

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

This letter is regarding your February 25, 2015, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Northern States Power Company; PU-15-96. I hereby designate Janet Demarais Seaworth to be assigned as a contract administrative law judge to conduct the hearing in regard to this matter. Because the administrative law judge will not be making recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or issuing a recommended order, the person or persons who will be making the final administrative decision in regard to this matter (*i.e.*, the commission) must be in attendance at the hearing.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated contract administrative law judge in care of P O Box 7127, Bismarck, ND 58507-7127; telephone (701) 258-8098 fax (701) 258-8098. ALJ Seaworth will preside over the previously scheduled hearing on October 15, 2015.

Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20150094. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Sincerely,

Wade C. Mann
Director

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cc: David Sederquist, Xcel Energy
Mitchell Armstrong, Special Assistant Attorney General
Janet Demarais Seaworth, Administrative Law Judge

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