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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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

In re: Northern States Power Company
 Advance Determination of Prudence Application
 Case No. PU-17-120

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find the original and seven copies of the following **Public Documents**:

- Sheldon A. Smith*
- Scott K. Porsborg***
- Suzanne M. Schweigert*
- Mitchell D. Armstrong**
- Stacy M. Moldenhauer**
- David J. Smith**
- Brian D. Schmidt*
- Tyler J. Malm*
- Sarah E. Kuntz**
- Austin T. Lafferty*

1. *Advocacy Staff's Response to Northern State Power's March 29, 2017, Application for Trade Secret Protection and Advocacy Staff's Application for Trade Secret Protection for James A. Heidell's Testimony;*
2. Direct Testimony of James A. Heidell (Public Version);
3. Exhibit JAH-1;
4. Exhibit JAH-2;
5. Exhibit JAH-3;
6. Verification; and
7. Affidavit of Service.

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 Letter enclosing Response to Application for Trade Secret Protection, James Heidell prefiled testimony Public Service Commission Advocacy Staff Mitchell D. Armstrong, SAAG

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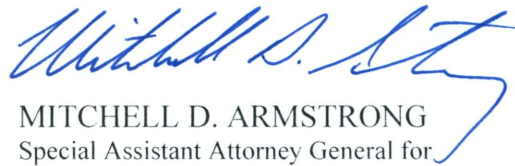
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We are also enclosing one copy of the following documents in a sealed envelope labeled "**PROTECTED INFORMATION/TRADE SECRET – PRIVATE**" the following documents:

1. Direct Testimony of James A. Heidell. (Non-Public Version); and
2. Exhibit JAH-3 (Non-Public Version).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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Special Assistant Attorney General for
Public Service Commission Advocacy Staff

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