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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
ADVANCE PRUDENCE – 1,550 MW WIND PORTFOLIO
APPLICATION

CASE No. PU-17-120
OAH FILE No. 20170204

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY
ADVANCE PRUDENCE – 302.4 MW DAKOTA RANGE
WIND APPLICATION

CASE No. PU-17-372

JOINT STIPULATION OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COSTS

This Joint Stipulation of Capital Expenditure Costs (this Joint Stipulation) is entered into on this 19th day of September, 2018 by and between Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, doing business as Xcel Energy (Xcel Energy or the Company) and North Dakota Public Service Commission Advocacy Staff (Advocacy Staff and each of Xcel Energy or Advocacy Staff a “Party” and together, the “Parties”).

The Parties enter into this Joint Stipulation to clarify the record in the above captioned Cases with respect to the budgeted capital expenditure costs of the (1) Foxtail Project; (2) the non-power purchase agreement (non-PPA) portion of the Crowned Ridge Project; (3) the Lake Benton Project; (4) the Blazing Star I and Blazing Star II Projects; (5) the Freeborn Project; and (5) the Dakota Range I and Dakota Range II Projects (each a “Wind Project”) as described and updated in the Company’s May 18, 2018 and March 23, 2018 supplements in the above referenced Cases for the purposes of settlement of the above referenced Cases.

For the purposes of this Joint Stipulation, the phrase “budgeted capital expenditure amount” means the Company’s current estimate of the capital costs, including the costs of transmission interconnection service under any relevant generator interconnection agreement, but excluding allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) and other customary adders to capital expenditures to calculate capital additions for ratemaking purposes.

The trade secret information contained herein is of the nature of capital expenditure estimates and is consistent with the types of information granted trade secret protection by the August 2, 2017 Order Granting Trade Secret Protection in Case No. PU-17-120 and the June 13, 2018 Order Granting Trade Secret Protection in Case No. PU-17-372

The Parties stipulate to the following budgeted capital expenditure amounts:

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A. Self Build Projects

Table 1

Line	Wind Facility	Capacity	Budgeted Capital Expenditure Amounts
1	Foxtail	150 MW	[TRADE SECRET BEGINS
2	Blazing Star I and II	400 MW	
3	Freeborn	200 MW	
4	Dakota Range I and II	300 MW	
5	Total Self-Build Projects	1,050 MW	TRADE SECRET ENDS]

B. Build-Own-Transfer (BOT) Projects

Table 2

Line	Wind Facility	Capacity	Budgeted Capital Expenditure Amount
1	Lake Benton	100 MW	[TRADE SECRET BEGINS
2	Crowned Ridge (non-PPA)	300 MW	
3	Total BOT Projects	400 MW	TRADE SECRET ENDS]

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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Authorized representatives of the Parties having caused this Joint Stipulation of Capital Expenditure Costs to be duly executed as of the date first set forth above.

Northern States Power Company,
a Minnesota corporation

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Advocacy Staff

By: 

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Its: RVP Rates & Revenues Affairs

Its: Counsel