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VIA EMAIL AND FEDERAL EXPRESS

Steven M. Kahl, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: ANNUAL PROTECTED INFORMATION LETTER
ADVANCE PRUDENCE—1,550 MW WIND PORTFOLIO &
304.2 MW DAKOTA RANGE WIND APPLICATION
CASE NOS. PU-17-120 AND PU-17-372

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, provides this annual letter in compliance with Order Point 4 of the North Dakota Public Service Commission's December 6, 2018 ORDER ON SETTLEMENT in the above-referenced cases.

Order Point 4 states:

4. *NSP shall file, on at least an annual basis a letter indicating whether the protected information must remain protected or if it may be made public.*

The information that is protected in these cases must remain protected at this time.

Please feel free to contact me at (701) 241-8632 or dave.sederquist@xcelenergy.com should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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