

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2019)
Rates

Case No. PU-18-364

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **15th day of March 2019**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Order On Transmission Facility Cost Recovery Rates**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Ryan Long
Lead Assistant General Counsel
Xcel Energy Services Inc.
414 Nicollet Mall – 8th Floor
Minneapolis, MN 55401
Cert. No. 7018 2290 0000 6607 7926

David Sederquist
Sr. Regulatory & Financial Consultant
Xcel Energy
PO Box 2747
Fargo, ND 58108-2747
Cert. No. 7018 2290 0000 6607 7933

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **15th day of March 2019**, she sent an electronic message to **1** address, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

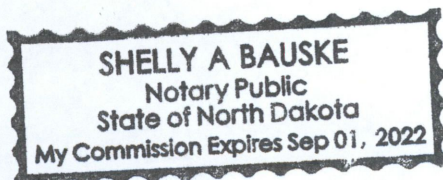
The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

regulatory.records@xcelenergy.com

The addresses shown are the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office and electronic mail addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **15th day of March 2019**.

SEAL



Geralyn R. Schmaltz

Shelly A. Bauske

Notary Public

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ORDER ON TRANSMISSION FACILITY COST RECOVERY RATES

March 13, 2019

Preliminary Statement

On October 5, 2018, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application for approval of its 2019 Transmission Cost Recovery (TCR) Rider rate.

On October 24, 2018, the Commission suspended the tariff filing and reduced the filing fee to \$10,000.

On November 8, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until December 20, 2018 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received. The notice identified the issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Whether the investments and associated costs for the new or modified electric transmission facilities qualify for recovery,
2. Whether the incurred costs are reasonable and prudent, and
3. Whether the rate adjustments are consistent with the terms of NSP's tariff.

On November 27, 2018, NSP filed a correction to its application, revising its 2019 TCR revenue requirements and the proposed TCR rate accordingly.

On February 6, 2019, the Commission discussed this matter with NSP during an Informal Hearing.

On February 15, 2019, NSP filed supplemental Information and requested to reduce the proposed TCR rate in recognition of a shortened nine-month recovery period effective April 1, 2019.

Discussion

This filing was NSP's fifth annual update to its TCR Rider. The TCR Rider was first approved by Commission order on February 26, 2014 under North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-04.3. This annual update includes ten new or modified transmission

projects that are not currently in base rates. The Company explained these projects and the reason for their addition during the Informal Hearing.

NSP reports a nine-month April through December 2019 TCR revenue requirement of \$3,102,920, resulting in a 2019 TCR rate of 0.1914 cents per kWh. The monthly billing impact for a typical residential customer using 750 kWh per month will be a decrease of approximately \$1.44.

Having considered this matter, the Commission finds NSP's proposed 2019 TCR rate is reasonable and should be approved. Therefore, the Commission issues its:


Order

The Commission Orders Northern States Power Company's request for a rate adjustment for its 2019 Transmission Facility Cost Recovery Rider is APPROVED.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Julie Fedorchak
Commissioner

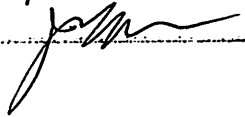

Brian Kroshus
Chairman


Randy Christmann
Commissioner

APPROVED

DATE: 3/13/2019

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MOTION

March 13, 2019

I move the Commission adopt the Order on Transmission Facility Cost Recovery Rates in Northern States Power Company, Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2019), Rates, Case No. PU-18-364.

JRL