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**--Via Electronic Filing--**

Steven M. Kahl, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol Building, Dept. 408  
600 East Boulevard  
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RE: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE  
2019 RENEWABLE ENERGY RIDER RATE ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION  
CASE NO. PU-18-368

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the North Dakota Public Service Commission supplemental information regarding its pending 2019 Renewable Energy Rider (RER) rate application. This information, which was also shared at the February 6, 2019 Informal Hearing on this matter, addresses how the proposed RER rate would be modified to accommodate an April 1, 2019 implementation date as opposed to the originally contemplated effective date of January 1, 2019.

Table 1 below compares the 12-month rate proposed in the 2019 RER rate application, intended to be effective January 1, 2019, to the 9-month rate that could be implemented April 1, 2019:

**Table 1: 2019 Rate Calculation Comparison**

	<b>12 Months</b>	<b>9 Months*</b>
ND retail revenue requirement	\$2,104,840	\$1,930,167
ND retail Sales	2,233,684 MWh	1,620,795 MWh
2019 RER Rate Per kWh	\$0.000942	\$0.001191
Typical Residential Bill Impact	\$0.71	\$0.89

\*Assumes revenues would be collected for the first three months of 2019 at the lower current RER rate of \$0.000285. The ND retail sales to which the rate would be applied reflect the projected sales for the 9-month period April - December.

The Company respectfully requests the Commission to approve the modified 9 month rate of \$0.001191 per kWh. This rate will allow recovery of the projected \$2.1 million revenue requirement within the 2019 calendar year, thereby avoiding the likelihood of a material under-recovery in 2019 and, ultimately, a true-up that would increase the 2020 RER rate. The impact of the higher 9 month rate on the typical residential monthly bill is not significant – about 18¢ – compared to the full 12-month rate.

We are also providing with this filing, for the Commission's reference, a revised Attachment I to the 2019 RER rate application showing the revised customer bill notice for the alternative 9-month rate.

We appreciate the Commission's consideration of this supplemental information regarding an April 1, 2019 implementation date of the 2019 RER rate. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,



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**Proposed Customer Bill Notice**

**Renewable Energy Rider Rate Increase  
 Effective April 1, 2019**

The Renewable Energy Rider (RER) line item on your bill recovers investment costs associated with new and modified renewable energy facilities. Beginning April 1, 2019, the RER rate will increase from \$0.000285 to \$0.001299 per kWh.

**Residential Electric Service – Winter Month Bill Example**

The chart below shows the impact on customer bills of the new RER rate increase. The comparison does not reflect any other rate changes that may occur at the same time.

	Prior				New					
Usage (kWh)	Other Charges	Prior RER Rate	Prior RER Charge	Prior Bill	Other Charges	New RER Rate	New RER Charge	New Bill	Change In Bill	Percent Change
400	\$50.39	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.11</b>	\$50.50	\$50.39	\$0.001191	<b>\$0.48</b>	\$50.87	\$0.37	0.73%
500	\$59.37	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.14</b>	\$59.51	\$59.37	\$0.001191	<b>\$0.60</b>	\$59.97	\$0.46	0.77%
600	\$68.34	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.17</b>	\$68.51	\$68.34	\$0.001191	<b>\$0.71</b>	\$69.05	\$0.54	0.79%
750	\$81.80	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.21</b>	\$82.01	\$81.80	\$0.001191	<b>\$0.89</b>	\$82.69	\$0.68	0.83%
1000	\$104.24	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.29</b>	\$104.53	\$104.24	\$0.001191	<b>\$1.19</b>	\$105.43	\$0.90	0.86%
1500	\$149.11	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.43</b>	\$149.54	\$149.11	\$0.001191	<b>\$1.79</b>	\$150.90	\$1.36	0.91%
2000	\$193.97	\$0.000285	<b>\$0.57</b>	\$194.54	\$193.97	\$0.001191	<b>\$2.38</b>	\$196.35	\$1.81	0.93%

**For more information**

You may examine the new rate rider details by visiting our website at [xcelenergy.com/ndrates](http://xcelenergy.com/ndrates).