

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company  
Petition/Accounting Treatment/Asset Sale  
Approval

Case No. PU-19-103

**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 **22nd day of August 2019**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Order**

The envelope was addressed as follows:

David Sederquist  
St. Regulatory & Financial Consultant  
Xcel Energy  
PO Box 2747  
Fargo, ND 58108-2747  
**Cert. No. 7018 0680 0001 3737 7134**

**Geralyn R. Schmaltz** further deposes and says that on the **22nd day of August 2019**, she sent an electronic message to **one** addressee, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

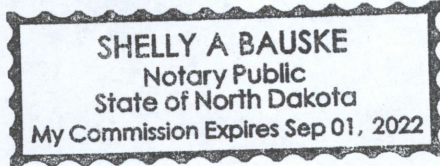
The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

Lynnette Sweet  
Regulatory Administrator  
[Regulatory.Records@xcelenergy.com](mailto: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 **22nd of August 2019**.

  
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Notary Public

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**August 21, 2019**

**Preliminary Statement**

On March 15, 2019, Northern States Power Company (NSP) requested approval to use the North Dakota jurisdictional share of gains from the sale of two LP storage tanks, associated equipment and the real property upon which the facilities are located to partially offset the costs of remediating the site of a former manufactured gas plant (Case No. PU-15-514) in Fargo, North Dakota.

On May 29, 2019 the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until July 8, 2019 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received.

On July 25, 2019, the Commission discussed this matter with representatives from NSP and Commission Advocacy Staff during an Informal Hearing.

**Discussion**

The Commission's May 29, 2019 Notice identified the issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Whether the North Dakota jurisdictional share of gains is just and reasonable.
2. Whether it is appropriate to offset costs for the Fargo manufactured gas plant with gains from the asset sale.

NSP estimates the North Dakota Jurisdictional share of total gain from the \$5.2 million asset sale to be approximately \$649,000 using a North Dakota jurisdictional natural gas distribution demand factor of 12.48%. The Commission finds the North Dakota jurisdictional share of gains is just and reasonable.

Commission Advocacy Staff supported the use of gains from the asset sale to partially offset the remediation of the Fargo manufactured gas plant. The Commission agrees and finds it is appropriate to offset costs for the Fargo manufactured gas plant with gains from the asset sale.

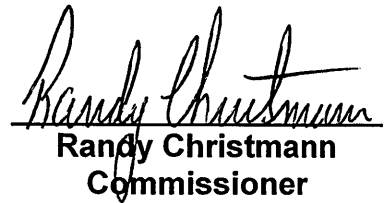
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The Commission Orders NSP's request to apply the North Dakota jurisdictional share of asset sale gains to partially offset costs of remediating the site of the former Fargo manufactured gas plant is APPROVED.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner

  
Brian Kroshus  
Chairman

  
Randy Christmann  
Commissioner