

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

**Northern States Power Company**  
**Renewable Resource Cost Recovery (2020)**  
**Rates**

**Case No. PU-19-329**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED & 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 **20th day of February 2020** 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**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Matt Harris  
Principal Attorney  
Xcel Energy Services, Inc.  
414 Nicollet Mall – 401, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Minneapolis, MN 55401  
**Cert. No. 7019 0700 0000 6174 3670**

David Sederquist  
Sr. Regulatory & Financial Consultant  
Xcel Energy  
PO Box 2747  
Fargo, ND 58108-2747  
**Cert. No. 7019 0700 00006174 3687**

**Geralyn R. Schmaltz** further deposes and says that on the **20th day of February 2020**, she sent an electronic message to **three** addressees, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document

The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

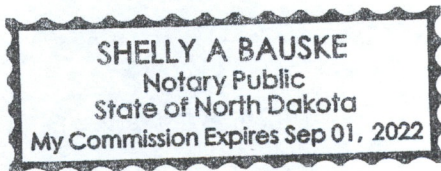
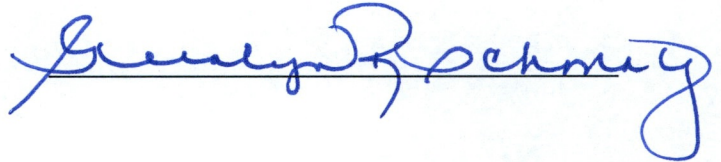
Lynnette Sweet  
Regulatory Administrator  
[Regulatory.Records@xcelenergy.com](mailto:Regulatory.Records@xcelenergy.com)

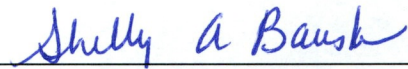
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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office and electronic mail addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **20th day of February 2020**.



  
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Notary Public

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**February 19, 2020**

**Preliminary Statement**

On September 26, 2019, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application for approval of an annual update to its Renewable Energy Rider (RER) rate. The RER allows NSP to recover capital and operating costs of company-owned renewable energy generation not presently reflected in base retail rates.

On November 21, 2019, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until January 3, 2020 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 resources 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 January 17, 2020, NSP filed a supplement to its 2019 RER revenue requirements and the RER rate to demonstrate alternative methods of recognizing production tax credits (PTCs) in the revenue requirement.

On January 22, 2020, the Commission discussed this matter with NSP during an Informal Hearing.

On February 10, 2020, NSP filed a revised RER rate.

**Discussion**

The RER update includes two new projects that are expected to be in service during 2020. Additionally, the updated rates reflect a levelization of PTCs.

NSP reports a March through December 2020 RER revenue requirement of \$8,306,544, resulting in a RER rate of 0.4566 cents per kWh.

The monthly billing impact for a residential customer using 750 kWh per month will be an increase of approximately \$2.53 per month.


The Commission finds NSPs proposed 2020 RER rate is reasonable and appropriate.

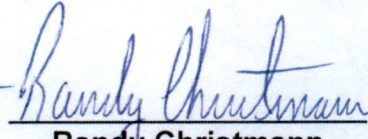
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The Commission orders Northern States Power Company's Renewable Energy Rider rate of 0.4566 cents per kWh filed on February 10, 2020 is APPROVED for service rendered on or after March 1, 2020.

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