

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Northern States Power Company
Renewable Resource Cost Recovery (2021)
Tariff and Rates**

Case No. PU-20-426

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 **3rd day of December 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:

- **Notice of Opportunity for Hearing**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

David Sederquist
Sr. Regulatory and Financial Consultant
Xcel Energy
PO Box 2747
 Fargo, ND 58108-2747
Cert. No. 7020 1290 0001 6150 5742

Matt Harris
Lead Assistant General Counsel
Xcel Energy Services, Inc.
414 Nicollet Mall – 401, 8th Floor
Minneapolis, MN 55401
Cert. No. 7020 1290 0001 6150 5759

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **3rd day of December 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:

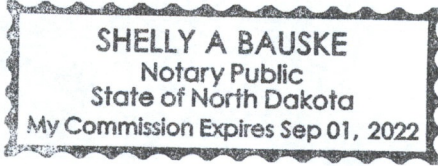
David Sederquist
Xcel Energy
dave.sederquist@xcelenergy.com

Matt Harris
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matt.b.harris@xcelenergy.com

Regulatory Records
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 **3rd day of December 2020**.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and appears to read "Shelly A. Bauske".

The name "Shelly a Bauske" is written in blue ink over a horizontal line. Below the line, the words "Notary Public" are printed in a black, sans-serif font.

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

December 2, 2020

On October 15, 2020, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed a request for approval of its 2021 Renewable Energy Rider (RER). The purpose of this rider is to recover, from NSP North Dakota electric customers, costs of renewable energy generation not presently reflected in retail rates. In this filing, NSP would recover costs of eight previously approved projects and one new project expected to be in service in 2021. NSP also filed tariff language changes to clarify the RER true up mechanism.

The 2021 RER rate would be applied to all energy billed to each customer effective January 1, 2021. The RER rate would increase from \$0.004566 per kWh to \$0.006238 per kWh. As a result of the RER rate change, a residential electrical customer consuming 750 kWh per month would experience a bill increase of \$1.31 per month. The issues to be considered in this proceeding 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.
4. Whether NSP's proposed tariff changes should be approved?

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by December 30, 2020.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission 24 hours in advance.

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