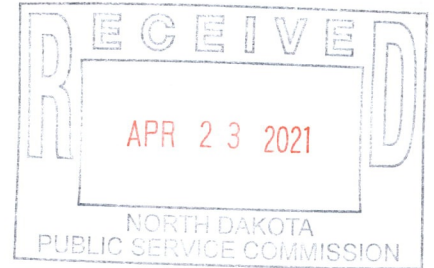




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Attention: Steve Kahl  
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In re: Northern States Power Company  
2021 Electric Rate Increase  
PU-20-441  
OAH File NO.: 20200422

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find the original and seven copies of the following **Public Documents**:

1. Advocacy Staff's Application for Trade Secret Protection for Dante Mugrace's and Karl Pavlovic's Testimony;
2. Direct Testimony of Marlon Griffing and Exhibits;
3. Direct Testimony of James Garren and Exhibits;
4. Direct Testimony of Karl Pavlovic and Exhibits (Public Version);
5. Direct Testimony of Dante Mugrace and Exhibits (Public Version);
6. Affidavit of Service.

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We are also enclosing one copy of the following documents in a sealed envelope labeled "**PROTECTED INFORMATION/TRADE SECRET – PRIVATE**" the following documents:

1. Direct Testimony of Karl Pavlovic and Exhibits (Non-Public Version);
2. Direct Testimony of Dante Mugrace and Exhibits (Non-Public Version)

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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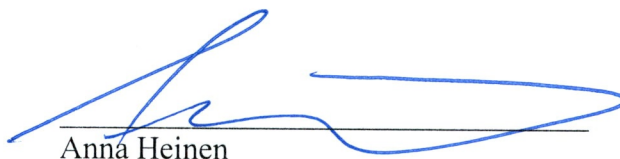
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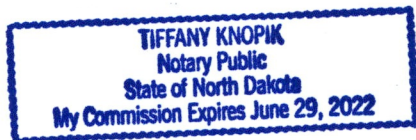
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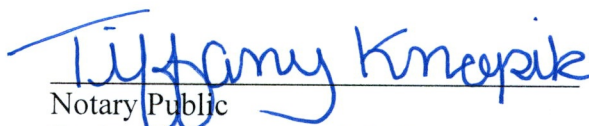
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Subscribed and sworn before me this 23rd day of April, 2021.



  
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