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—Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail—

Steven M. Kahl, Executive Director  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol Building, Dept. 408  
600 East Boulevard  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: NEW RESOURCES INCLUDED IN THE 2022 FUEL COST RIDER  
CASE NOS. PU-12-813, PU-23-\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Mr. Kahl:

In accordance with Section I.B.1 of the Comprehensive Settlement Agreement in Case No. PU-12-813, Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy (Company), with operations in North Dakota, is required to provide an annual notification on any new Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) less than 50 MW in size that have been included in the Company's Fuel Cost Rider (FCR) calculation.

The Settlement directs us to include a description of the project, justification for the contract, expected annual costs over the life of the contract, and the initial estimated monthly bill impact to residential customers. As Attachment A to this filing indicates, we entered into a PPA with two projects in 2022.

Portions of Attachment A have been designated as Trade Secret as they contain information the Company considers proprietary financial information as it derives independent value from not being generally known, is not ascertainable by other persons, can be used by others for a variety of purposes, and is maintained as confidential by the Company. Thus, Xcel Energy maintains this information as a trade secret. Please see the enclosed Application for Trade Secret Protection.

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An electronic copy of this filing is also being sent to you for your convenience. A check will be sent under separate cover to the Commission in the amount of \$10,000 for the filing fee.

Please contact me at [alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com](mailto:alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com) if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

ALEX NISBET  
REGULATORY POLICY SPECIALIST

Enclosure  
cc: Victor Schock

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Northern States Power Company  
Electric Operations - State of North Dakota

Case Nos. PU-12-813, PU-23-\_\_\_\_  
Compliance - New Resources Included in 2022 Fuel Cost Rider  
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**New PPAs with Less Than 50 MW in Effect During 2022 Reporting**

| PPA Counterparty Name       | Description     |           |              |                     |                           |          | Justification  | MWh Energy During Report Period | Cost During Report Period | Average Price (\$/MWh) | First Year Residential Monthly Bill Impact |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------|----------|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|--|
|                             | Location        | Fuel Type | Project Type | Contracted Capacity | Commercial Operation Date | PPA Term |  |                                 |                           |                        |  |
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| Keller Paving & Landscaping | Minot, ND       | Solar     | QF PPA *     | 0.19 MW             | 11/30/2021**              |          | This is a power purchase agreement based on standard QF tariff rate under PURPA. |                                 |                           |                        | \$0  |
| Poet, LLC                   | Sioux Falls, SD | Solar     | QF PPA *     | 0.38 MW             | 8/31/2021**               |          | This is a power purchase agreement based on standard QF tariff rate under PURPA. |                                 |                           |                        | \$0  |
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