

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Northern States Power Company
Customer Credit – DOE Settlement 2022
Application**

Case No. PU-23-364

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

On December 20, 2023, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed a petition for approval to refund to customers the 14th settlement payment of \$835,711 received November 20, 2023, arising from the United States Department of Energy not accepting nuclear waste in breach of the federal Nuclear Waste Policy Act using either one of two refund alternatives.

NSP requests to either refund this payment back to customers using the Bill Credit Rider (BCR) over twelve months or use the settlement payment to offset the jurisdictional share of new payments to be made to the Prairie Island Indian Community (PIIC) with the remainder to be bundled with another future refund through the BCR. The North Dakota jurisdictional share of the 2024 PIIC payments is \$517,435. NSP proposes to offset this amount with the remainder to be kept in an interest-bearing account until it can be bundled with other refunds through the BCR.

The new PIIC payments relate to an Amended and Restated Settlement Agreement between NSP and PIIC, which was executed on August 3, 2023, detailing a revised settlement amount to account for the impacts of the extension of the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant.

The issues to be determined in this matter are:

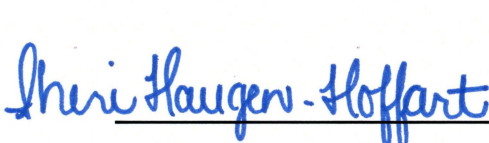
1. Is the 14th settlement payment refund just and reasonable?
2. Whether to use the 14th settlement payment to offset the jurisdictional share of new payments to be made to the Prairie Island Indian Community.
3. What is the appropriate settlement refund period and refund alternative?

Comments and requests for a hearing must be received by March 2, 2024. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine these matters without a hearing.

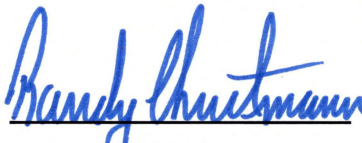
For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

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