

December 27, 2024

John Schuh General Counsel Public Service Commission 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408 Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Schuh:

Thank you for your December 26, 2024, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Northern States Power Company / PU-24-376. I hereby designate Hope L. Hogan to be assigned as an administrative law judge to conduct the hearing in regard to this matter. Because the administrative law judge will not be making recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or issuing a recommended order, the person or persons who will be making the final administrative decision in regard to this matter (*i.e.*, the commission) must be in attendance at the hearing.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated administrative law judge in care of the Office of Administrative Hearings, 2911 North 14th Street- Suite 303, Bismarck, ND 58503. Please contact the administrative law judge prior to scheduling the hearing. Because the administrative law judge is requested to conduct the hearing only, the agency must give proper notice of the hearing.

Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20240494. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Dawson

Director

cc: Mitchell Armstrong, Special Assistant Attorney General Zeviel Simpser, counsel for Northern States Power Company Hope L. Hogan, Administrative Law Judge

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Office of Administrative Hearings Timothy Dawson, Director