STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company 2025 Electric Rate Increase Application Case No. PU-24-376

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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 **8th day of August 2025**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **three** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

• Notice of Public Hearing

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **8th day of August 2025**, she sent an electronic message to **two** addresses, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

Regulatory Records
Xcel Energy
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Alex Nisbet
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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office and electronic address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of August 2025.

SHELLY A BAUSKE
Notary Public
State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires Sept 1, 2026

Notary Public

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On December 2, 2024, Northern States Power Company (NSP), filed a Notice for Change in Rates for Electric Service under North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-05. NSP proposes a \$44.556 million or 19.34% increase in its annual North Dakota electric revenues. The proposed rates would affect NSP's service to all of its retail electric customers in North Dakota. Interim rates subject to refund were approved on January 8, 2025.

A Public Hearing is scheduled to begin December 1, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

- 1. What is the value of NSP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 2. What is NSP's rate of return on its property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 3. What is a just and reasonable rate of return on NSP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 4. What rates and charges are necessary to provide a just and reasonable rate of return on NSP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 5. Are NSP's rate schedules designed in such a manner that they result in a basis of charge to its customers that is just and reasonable without undue discrimination?

Petitions to Intervene are governed by North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-02-05. However, the Commission encourages anyone wishing to become a party to this proceeding to file a Petition to Intervene as early in the process as possible to allow, if granted intervenor status, full participation in prehearing filings and other actions. Consequently, anyone wishing to become a party should file a Petition to Intervene by October 15, 2025.

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 at least 24 hours in advance.

Issued: August 7, 2025
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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