

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Northern States Power Company
2025 Electric Rate Increase
Application**

Case No. PU-24-376

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

**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 **19th day of September 2025**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **four** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Notice of Public Input Sessions**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Zeviel Simpser
Lead Counsel
Dorsey & Whitney
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Minneapolis, MN 55402
Cert. No. 9589 0710 5270 1777 9868 53

Christine Schwartz
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Xcel Energy
414 Nicollet Mail, 401-7th Floor
Minneapolis, MN 55401
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Julie Clark
Attorney for Intervenor - Walmart
Clark Energy Law
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Eric Austin
Senior Manager Utility Partnerships
Walmart, Inc.
2608 SE F Street Mail Stop: 5530
Bentonville, AR 72716
Cert. No. 9589 0710 5270 1777 9868 84

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **19th day of September 2025**, she sent an electronic message to **two** addresses, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

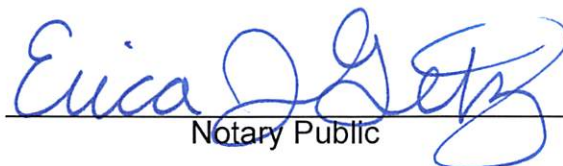
The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

Regulatory Records
Xcel Energy
regulatory.records@xcelenergy.com

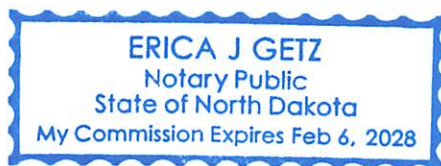
Alex Nisbet
Northern States Power Company
alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office and electronic address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **19th day of September 2025**.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alex Nisbet", written over a horizontal line.A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Erica J Getz", written over a horizontal line.
Notary Public

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS

On December 2, 2024, Northern States Power Company (NSP, doing business as Xcel Energy), 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.

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?

The public is encouraged to view the Public Input Sessions electronically via <https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php>. The public is also invited to appear and participate in the Public Input Sessions at the locations below. A technical hearing will be held on the matter beginning December 1, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. central time in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th floor of the State Capitol, Bismarck, ND.

Public Input Sessions on the application in this case will be held on **October 13, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. central time and continue until comments are finished and on October 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. central time and continue until comments are finished.**

The Commission will receive public input through the following methods:

- **Written** – Written public input may be submitted via email to ndpsc@nd.gov or by mail addressed to:
Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480
- **Telephonic** – The public may provide input over the phone by calling 1-888-585-9008 with room code 671-872-185 on the dates and times listed below.
- **In-person** – You may appear and participate in person on **October 13, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. central time** at these locations:

Public Service Commission
Hearing Room
12th Floor State Capitol Building
Enter building on south side of Capitol
600 East Boulevard Ave
Bismarck, ND 58505

North Dakota State College of Science
Dr. Jerry C. Olson Auditorium
1305 19th Avenue North
Fargo, ND 58102

The Chamber Grand Forks
The Chamber Board Room
202 North 3rd Street, #100
Grand Forks, ND 58203

Minot City Hall
City Council Chambers
10 3rd Avenue Southwest
Minot, ND 58701

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: September 19, 2025
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Steve Kahl
Executive Secretary