

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company  
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2026)  
Rates

Case No. PU-25-257

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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 **20th day of November 2025**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Order**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Christine Marquis  
Regulatory Administrator  
Xcel Energy  
414 Nicollet Mall – 401, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Minneapolis, MN 55401  
**Cert. No. 9589 0710 5270 1777 9871 26**

**Geralyn R. Schmaltz** further deposes and says that on the **20th day of November 2025**, she sent an electronic message to **two** addresses, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

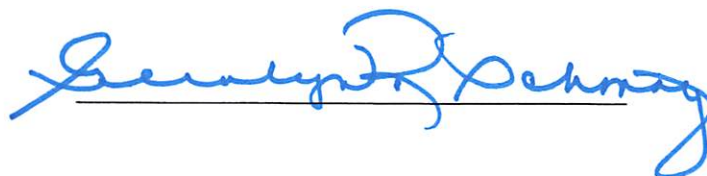
The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

Regulatory Records  
Xcel Energy  
[regulatory.records@xcelenergy.com](mailto:regulatory.records@xcelenergy.com)

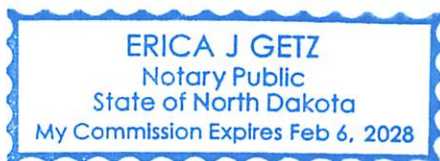
Alex Nisbet  
Northern States Power Company  
[alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com](mailto:alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com)

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **20th day of November 2025**.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Benjamin D. Schweg", written over a horizontal line.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Erica J. Getz", written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the words "Notary Public" are printed.

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**November 19, 2025**

**Preliminary Statement**

On September 19, 2025, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an annual rate update under its Transmission Cost Rider (TCR) tariff.

On October 9, 2025, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until November 18, 2025, for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received. The notice provided that, if deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

The Notice identified the issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Whether the proposed rate adjustment complies with NSP's tariff,
2. Whether the incurred costs for new or modified electric transmission facilities are reasonable and prudent, and
3. Whether the incurred costs are eligible for recovery through the TCR.

**Discussion**

NSP included two new projects in the TCR relating to congestion relief and voltage support and two additional projects related to a substation and transformers and feeders. NSP also updated costs to previously approved projects and regional transmission organization revenues and charges.

The 2026 revenue requirement increased by approximately \$3.8M. Approximately \$700k of this increase was driven by NSP's Major Line Rebuilds with \$300k of additional revenue requirement driven by the Communications Network Program. Approximately \$400k of the increase was driven by NSP's four LRTP Tranche 1 projects. The increase reflects how project construction has recently begun. Additional MISO Schedule 26/26a

charges drove an \$800k increase and the true-up drove an additional \$700k increase. The remaining increases were spread out among the other projects.

NSP proposes a 2026 TCR rate of \$0.003913 per kWh (.3913 cents per kWh) for residential customers and a total revenue requirement of \$8,608,417. It is to be collected over the period January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

The change results in a billing increase for a residential customer using 750 kWh per month of \$1.26 over the existing TCR rate.

The proposed rate adjustment complies with NSP's tariff.

The costs incurred for new or modified electric transmission facilities are reasonable and prudent.

The costs incurred are eligible for recovery through the TCR.

#### Order

The Commission orders NSP's 2026 TCR rate filed on September 19, 2025, is approved for rates effective January 1, 2026.

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