

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Kringstad

From: Victor Schock, Director of Public Utilities VS

Date: February 5, 2026

Re: Northern States Power Company, 2026 Natural Gas Rate Increase, Application, Case No. PU-26-52

On January 30, 2026, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application to increase its Natural Gas rates in North Dakota.

The primary drivers of the increase request as laid out by NSP are: Capital investments, increased operation and maintenance expenses, and taxes.

The chart below provides a summary of the interim and full rate increase requests.

NSP 2025 Natural Gas Rate Increase	
Date Filed	1/30/2026
Test Year	2026
Retail Electric Customers	66,000
Requested ROE	10.85%
Currently Authorized ROE	9.90%
Last Natural Gas Case	PU-23-367
Last Natural Gas Increase authorized	\$7.22M(8.03%)
Interim Rates Effective Date	4/1/2026
Commission’s Deadline for final rates (49-05-06 (1))	9/1/2026

Breakdown	Interim	Full Request
2026 Base Rate Revenue at current rates	\$39,457,021	\$39,457,021
2026 Fuel Revenue	\$75,935,552	\$75,935,552
Total 2026 Retail Revenue at current rates	\$115,392,573	\$115,392,573
Requested Increase	\$12,301,376	\$13,761,427
2026 Retail Revenue at requested rates	\$127,693,949	\$129,154,000
% Increase	10.66%	11.93%
Interim Rate Surcharge	31.11%	
Monthly bill impact to Residential	\$8.42	\$10.15