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September 15, 2023

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Will Seuffert Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: REPLY COMMENTS 2022 ANNUAL NATURAL GAS SERVICE QUALITY REPORT DOCKET NO. G002/M-23-77

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission these Reply Comments in response to the Comments submitted by the Minnesota Department of Commerce (Department) on September 8, 2023 in the above-referenced docket.

We have electronically filed this document with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and copies have been served on the parties on the attached service list. Please contact Pamela Gibbs at 612-330-2889 or pamela.k.gibbs@xcelenergy.com or contact me at 612-337-2096 or bridget.dockter@xcelenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

BRIDGET N. DOCKTER MANAGER, POLICY AND OUTREACH

Enclosure cc: Service List

STATE OF MINNESOTA BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY'S 2022 ANNUAL NATURAL GAS SERVICE QUALITY REPORT DOCKET NO. E002/M-23-77

Reply Comments

INTRODUCTION

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission these Reply Comments in response to the Comments submitted by the Minnesota Department of Commerce (Department) on September 8, 2023 in the above-referenced docket.

We appreciate the Department's thorough review of our 2022 Annual Natural Gas Service Quality Report and respond to their Comments below. We continue to request that the Commission accept our 2022 Annual Natural Gas Service Quality.

REPLY COMMENTS

I. Response to Department Recommendations

In their Comments, the Department recommends approval of our 2022 Annual Natural Gas Service Quality Report. The Department also requests the Company provide additional information in our future Annual Natural Gas Service Quality Reports, beginning with our 2024 Annual Report. We address each of these requests below.

A. Meter Reading Performance

Consistent with the Orders in Docket No. E,G002/M-13-371 and G002/M-22-210, the Department asks that the Company update the data reported in our attachment outlining Meter Reading metrics in future Gas Service Quality Reports

(Attachment B in the 2022 report) to ensure the attachment's data reflects all corrections for erroneous duplicate reporting.

The Company agrees to update Attachment B to reflect all corrections in our next Gas Service Quality Annual Report.

B. Involuntary Disconnections

The Department asks that the Company begin including annual totals for involuntary service disconnection data in future Gas Service Quality Reports (in the 2022 Report, Attachment C).

We agree to begin including annual totals for involuntary service disconnections in future reports.

C. Customer Complaints

The Department asks that the Company begin including annual totals for call center complaint data in future Gas Service Quality Reports (in the 2022 Report, Attachment E monthly data is shown on pages 8-19).

We agree to begin including annual totals for call center complaint data in future reports.

D. Field Emergency Response Times

The Department asks that the Company begin including annual totals for gas emergency response time detail data in future Gas Service Quality Reports (in the 2022 Report, Attachment G).

We agree to begin including annual totals for gas emergency response time detail in future reports.

CONCLUSION

We appreciate the thoughtful review of our 2022 Annual Natural Gas Service Quality Report by the Department as well as the opportunity to respond to their Comments submitted in this docket.

Dated: September 15, 2023 Northern States Power Company

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Ella Giefer, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the foregoing document on the attached list of persons.

- <u>xx</u> by depositing a true and correct copy thereof, properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States mail at Minneapolis, Minnesota
- \underline{xx} electronic filing

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Dated this 15th day of September 2023

/s/

Ella Giefer Regulatory Administrator

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