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Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350  
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RE: 2013 ANNUAL REPORT SUPPLEMENT  
GAS AFFORDABILITY PROGRAM  
DOCKET NO. G002/GR-06-1429

Dear Dr. Haar:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits this Supplement to our Gas Affordability Program 2013 Annual Report, notifying the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission of greater than expected funding of our GAP.

This Supplement is to notify the Commission that due to the colder than normal weather and corresponding increased natural gas sales this winter, we have collected significantly more through the GAP surcharge than forecasted. In January – April 2014, we have collected about \$306,000 more than forecasted. Attachment A compares our actual and forecasted GAP surcharge recovery for 2014.

As described in the Annual Report, we have already begun additional outreach and will continue to expand our outreach to provide more assistance to customers. In January – April 2014, we have credited about \$945,000 to GAP customers. Our goal is to credit \$2.8 – 3.1 million to customers in 2014. In April 2014, we had 6,934 active GAP customers and are expecting to have 7,382 active GAP customers by the end of May. With below-normal temperatures continuing past the end of the Cold Weather Rule cutoff date, we have seen increased interest in GAP this spring. We continue to mail applications to customers who receive Energy Assistance and have been meeting with agencies and County Human Services to refer customers to these available programs.

The increased outreach and spending is intended to compensate for the over-funding of the program this winter and to comply with the point in the Commission's October 26, 2012 Order to increase program spending with the

intent of lowering the tracker balance. At the end of April 2014, our tracker balance was at about \$2,741,000. Attachment B is our year-to-date 2014 tracker.

If the Commission would like to explore lowering the GAP tracker balance by suspending the surcharge factor (temporarily setting to zero) for a few select months followed by resuming the surcharge factor in January 2015, we are open to the possibility. However, we would prefer to lower the tracker balance through increased credits to customers. As can be seen in Attachment A, we are forecasting to collect approximately \$670,000 in the last half of 2014 through the surcharge factor. Suspension of collecting the surcharge factor could reduce the tracker balance by some portion of this depending on when the suspension is in effect.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216.17, subd. 3, we have electronically filed this document and served copies on all parties on the attached service list.

Please contact me at [paul.lehman@xcelenergy.com](mailto:paul.lehman@xcelenergy.com) or (612) 330-7529 if you require any additional information.

SINCERELY,

/s/

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c: Service List





**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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

xx by depositing a true and correct copy thereof, properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States mail at Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014

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