

September 4, 2014

Burl W. Haar Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101 —Via Electronic Filing—

RE: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION - CORRECTED

TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF NUCLEAR PLANT DECOMMISSIONING ACCRUAL

DOCKET NO. E002/M-14-____

Dear Dr. Haar:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, respectfully requests the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission grant the Company a two-month extension to submit its Triennial Review of Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Accrual filing. We note that we submitted this extension request yesterday but due to a clerical error the second paragraph was scrambled. We apologize for any confusion and now submit this corrected letter.

In the Commission's December 12, 2012 Order in Docket Nos. E-002/M-11-939 and E-002/M-11-807 (Order), the Commission directed the Company to submit its next filing on or before October 1, 2014. We ask that the due date be extended to December 1, 2014.

The Company needs additional time to complete its analysis. In its Order, the Commission included several new requirements, including an analysis of switching out the dry cask units at 50 years. The requirement to switch out the casks at 50 years adds significant costs under the 100 and 200 year scenarios. We are evaluating these additional costs and how the use of the qualified trust versus the escrow fund can be maximized to reduce cost impacts to customers and maximize earnings growth of the funds over time under these scenarios, as well as scenarios that do not include switching out the casks.

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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 me at lisa.h.perkett@xcelenergy.com or (612) 330-6950 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

LISA H. PERKETT DIRECTOR, CAPITAL ASSET ACCOUNTING

c: Service Lists

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jada R. Calhoun, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the foregoing document or a summary thereof on the attached lists of persons:

- <u>xx</u> by depositing a true and correct copy or summary thereof,
 properly enveloped with postage paid, in the United States Mail
 at Minneapolis, Minnesota; or
- <u>xx</u> via electronic filing

DOCKET NOS. E-002/M-11-939 AND E-002/M-11-807

Dated this 4th day of September, 2014

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