#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

#### BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of **NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY** for approval to implement a power supply cost recovery plan for the 12 months ending December 31, 2025.

Case No. U-21598

At the April 24, 2025 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

> PRESENT: Hon. Daniel C. Scripps, Chair Hon. Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner Hon. Alessandra R. Carreon, Commissioner

#### **ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

On September 25, 2024, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation (NSP-W) filed an application, along with supporting testimony and exhibits, for authority to implement a power supply cost recovery plan and factors for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2025, pursuant to Section 6j of Public Act 304 of 1982, MCL 460.6j.

A prehearing conference was held on November 12, 2024, before Administrative Law Judge James M. Varchetti. NSP-W and the Commission Staff participated in the proceeding. Subsequently, the parties filed a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case.

The Commission has reviewed the settlement agreement and finds that the public interest is adequately represented by the parties who entered into the settlement agreement. The Commission further finds that the settlement agreement is in the public interest, represents a fair and reasonable resolution of the proceeding, and should be approved.

### THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. The settlement agreement, attached as Exhibit A, is approved.

B. Within 30 days of the date of this order, Northern States Power Company shall file with the Commission a tariff sheet substantially similar to Attachment 1 to the settlement agreement. After the tariff sheet has been reviewed and accepted by the Commission Staff for inclusion in Northern States Power Company's tariff book, Northern States Power Company shall promptly file the final tariff sheet in this docket and serve all parties.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26. To comply with the Michigan Rules of Court's requirement to notify the Commission of an appeal, appellants shall send required notices to both the Commission's Executive Secretary and to the Commission's Legal Counsel. Electronic notifications should be sent to the Executive Secretary at <u>LARA-MPSC-</u> <u>Edockets@michigan.gov</u> and to the Michigan Department of Attorney General - Public Service Division at <u>sheac1@michigan.gov</u>. In lieu of electronic submissions, paper copies of such notifications may be sent to the Executive Secretary and the Attorney General - Public Service Division at 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.

# MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Daniel C. Scripps, Chair

Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner

Alessandra R. Carreon, Commissioner

By its action of April 24, 2025.

Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary

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As provided in Section 78 of the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969 ("APA"), as amended, MCL 24.278, and Rule 431 of the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules, R 792.10431, Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation, and wholly owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. (hereafter "NSP-W" or the "Company") and the Michigan Public Service Commission Staff ("Staff") agree as follows:

1. On September 25, 2024, NSP-W filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("MPSC" or the "Commission") its Application, along with the testimony and exhibit of its witness Nickolaus A. Schuster, to implement a Power Supply Cost Recovery ("PSCR") plan and factors for the 2025 calendar year ("September 25<sup>th</sup> Filing"). At that time, NSP-W's request for an increase in electric base rates, which included a request for a new PSCR Base and loss factor, was pending before the Commission in Case No. U-21565. As a result of that pending matter, the Company's September 25<sup>th</sup> Filing sought approval of alternative PSCR factors for the 2025 plan period based on: (i) the then current PSCR Base and loss factor, and alternatively, (ii) the proposed new PSCR Base and loss factor.

2. On October 11, 2024, the Commission's Executive Secretary issued a Notice of Hearing directing NSP-W to mail a copy of the Notice of Hearing to all cities, incorporated

villages, townships, and counties in its Michigan electric service area, as well as to all intervenors in Case Nos. U-21097, U-18462, U-21263, and U-21429. The Commission further directed NSP-W to publish the Notice of Hearing in newspapers of general circulation in its Michigan electric service area. Complying with the directives, NSP-W filed the requisite Affidavit of Mailing and Proof of Publication with the Commission on November 7, 2024.

3. On November 12, 2024, Administrative Law Judge James M. Varchetti presided over a prehearing conference in this matter, and Staff entered its appearance. There were no intervenors.

4. On December 19, 2024, the Commission issued its Order Approving Settlement Agreement in Case No. U-21565, wherein, among other things, NSP-W's PSCR Base and loss factor were approved as \$0.054193/kWh at sales level and 7.25%, respectively, effective on and after January 1, 2025.

5. The Staff conducted discovery and an analysis of the PSCR plan and the decisions underlying that plan. Staff's review found NSP-W's PSCR plan is consistent with past Commission approvals, is based on reasonable projections, and results in a reasonable PSCR factor as based on the PSCR Base and line loss factor approved in Case No. U-21565.

6. The parties in this case have engaged in settlement discussions, and as a result, have successfully reached a compromise on all of the contested issues in this case as follows:

- a. The parties agree that NSP-W's 2025 PSCR plan is reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved by the Commission.
- b. The parties agree that NSP-W should be authorized to implement a maximum uniform 2025 PSCR factor of \$0.00051 per kWh to be effective for the 12-month plan year ending December 31, 2025, and NSP-W

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acknowledges that at any time during the plan period it may charge a factor less than \$0.00051 per kWh if needed, in the Company's estimation, to address a significant over-recovery balance.

- NSP-W's tariff sheet reflecting the 2025 PSCR factor is attached hereto as
  Attachment 1 and is acceptable to the parties hereto.
- d. Further, the parties agree that NSP-W's 2-year forecast of power supply requirements meets the statutory mandates of 1982 PA 304 and should be accepted for filing.

7. All of the signatories are of the opinion that this Settlement Agreement is reasonable, will promote the public interest, and will aid in the expeditious conclusion of this case.

8. This Settlement Agreement is entered into for the sole and express purpose of reaching a compromise among the positions of the parties. This Settlement Agreement is intended for a final disposition of this proceeding, and the parties join in respectfully requesting that the Commission grant prompt approval. The parties agree not to appeal, challenge, or contest the Commission's order accepting and approving this Settlement Agreement without modification. If the Commission does not accept the Settlement Agreement without modification, the Agreement shall be withdrawn and shall not constitute any part of the record in this proceeding or be used for any other purpose whatsoever.

9. All offers of settlement and discussions relating to this Settlement Agreement are, and shall be considered, privileged under MRE 408, and shall not be used in any manner, or be admissible for any other purpose in connection with this proceeding or any other proceeding or matter, except to carry out its terms.

10. All signatories waive Section 81 of the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, as

amended, MCL 24.281 as it applies to this proceeding if the Commission approves this

Settlement Agreement without modification.

Respectfully submitted,

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation

Dated: April 8, 2025

Digitally signed by: Sherri A. Wellman Digitally signed by: Sherri A. Wellman email = Wellmans@millercanfield.com C = US O = Miller Canfield Date: 2025.04.08 11:59:34 -04'00'

Its Attorney Sherri A. Wellman (P38989) MILLER, CANFIELD, PADDOCK and STONE, P.L.C. 123 West Allegan Street, Suite 200 Lansing, Michigan 48933 (517) 487-2070

#### MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STAFF

In Clank

Dated: April 8, 2025

By:\_\_\_\_

By:

Its Attorney Alena Clark (P73252) Assistant Attorney General Public Service Division 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 284-8140

# Attachment 1

# to Settlement Agreement

(MPSC Case No. U-21598)

M. P. S. C. NO. 2 – Electric **NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY** (To implement PSCR factors for 2025) XXth Revised S Cancels XXth Revised S

Sheet No. D-2.0 Sheet No. D-2.0

## POWER SUPPLY COST RECOVERY FACTORS

Northern States Power Company - Wisconsin's Power Supply Cost Recovery (PSCR) Monthly Factor for the 2025 Plan Year is as follows:

<u>Year</u> 2025	<u>Month</u> January	Maximum Authorized Factor (per kWh) <b>\$0.00051</b>	Actual Factor Billed (per kWh)
2025	February	\$0.00051	
2025	March	\$0.00051	
2025	April	\$0.00051	
2025	May	\$0.00051	
2025	June	\$0.00051	
2025	July	\$0.00051	
2025	August	\$0.00051	
2025	September	\$0.00051	
2025	October	\$0.00051	
2025	November	\$0.00051	
2025	December	\$0.00051	

Issued

K.J. Hoesly President Eau Claire, Wisconsin Effective: for bills rendered for the 2025 plan year.

Issued Under Authority of 1982 PA 304, Section 6j (9) and the Michigan Public Service Commission Dated Case No. U-21598

# PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

Case No. U-21598

County of Ingham

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Brianna Brown being duly sworn, deposes and says that on April 24, 2025 A.D. she

electronically notified the attached list of this Commission Order via e-mail transmission,

to the persons as shown on the attached service list (Listserv Distribution List).

Brianna

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

Angela P. Sanderson Notary Public, Shiawassee County, Michigan As acting in Eaton County My Commission Expires: May 21, 2030

Service List for Case: **U-21598 On Behalf Of Email Address** Name Alena M. Clark MPSC Staff clarka55@michigan.gov James M. Varchetti varchettij@michigan.gov ALJs - MPSC Northern States Power Company Northern States Power Company nspw.regulatory@xcelenergy.com wellmans@millercanfield.com Sherri A. Wellman Northern States Power Company