

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: May 17, 2016

In the Matter of Northern States Power Company's Petition for Approval of its 2016-2018 Triennial Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Accrual

PUC Docket Number/s: E-002/M-14-761

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes July 15, 2016 at 4:30pm

Reply comment period closes July 25, 2016 at 4:30pm

Comments must be received by 4:30pm on the close date

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Topic/s Open for Comment:

- Does Northern States Power Company's (Xcel's) April 1, 2016 compliance filing comply with the Commission's October 5, 2015 Order Approving Nuclear Decommissioning Study, Assumptions, And Annual Accrual, And Setting Filing Requirements?
- How did Northern States Power Company's Nuclear Decommissioning Trust (NDT) perform in the last year compared with the overall market?
- Should Northern States Power Company continue using investment managers?
- Is Northern States Power Company's proposal for possible benchmarks and methodologies for assessing annual performance of the Qualified Trust Fund reasonable and should it be adopted?
- Are Northern States Power Company's investment incentives and true-up proposals reasonable and should they be adopted?

Project Background: On October 5, 2015, the Commission issued its Order Approving Nuclear Decommissioning Study, Assumptions, And Annual Accrual, And Setting Filing Requirements, in this docket. On April 1, 2016, Xcel submitted its compliance filing. The Company reported its NDT 2015 financial results and investment strategies. Also, to better evaluate the NDT's financial performance and as a result of the Commission's October 5, 2015 Order, Xcel proposed benchmark metrics against which future financial performance can be measured.

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