

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)	
NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY-)	
WISCONSIN for a reconciliation of its gas)	Case No. U-11061-R
cost recovery revenues and expenses for the)	
12-month period ending March 31, 1997.)	
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At the January 28, 1998 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John G. Strand, Chairman
Hon. John C. Shea, Commissioner
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

On June 30, 1997, Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin (NSP-W) filed an application, with supporting testimony and exhibits, seeking reconciliation of its gas cost recovery (GCR) revenues and expenses for the 12-month period ended March 31, 1997. On July 14, 1997, NSP-W filed an amended application as well as additional testimony and exhibits.

Pursuant to due notice, a prehearing conference was held on September 8, 1997 before Administrative Law Judge Robert E. Hollenshead. NSP-W and the Commission Staff participated in the proceedings.

Subsequently, the parties submitted a settlement agreement resolving all issues in this case.

According to the settlement agreement, attached as Exhibit A, NSP-W experienced an \$81,747 GCR underrecovery during the 12-month period ended March 31, 1997, and had \$1,560 remaining in its Michigan refund liability account which, when combined with interest, results in a total net

underrecovery balance of \$72,429. The parties agree that the total net underrecovery should be rolled into NSP-W's current GCR plan in accordance with its standard refund procedures approved in Case No. U-10491-R.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; MSA 22.21 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; MSA 22.1 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; MSA 22.13(1) et seq.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6h et seq.; MSA 22.13(6h) et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; MSA 3.560(101) et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACRS, R 460.17101 et seq.
- b. The settlement agreement is reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- A. The settlement agreement, attached as Exhibit A, is approved.
- B. Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin shall roll the net underrecovery balance of \$72,429 into its current gas cost recovery plan pursuant to its standard refund procedures.

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; MSA 22.45.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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/s/ John G. Strand
Chairman

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/s/ John C. Shea
Commissioner

/s/ David A. Svanda
Commissioner

By its action of January 28, 1998.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman
Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated January 28, 1998 approving the settlement agreement and authorizing Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin to reconcile its gas cost recovery revenues and expenses by rolling its net underrecovery balance of \$72,429 into its current plan case, as set forth in the order.”