

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of a Request by Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy for Approval of a Change in Contract Demand Entitlements and Associated Costs Effective November 1, 2004

The above entitled matter has been considered by the Commission and the following disposition made:

**Approved the level of demand entitlement shown in DOC Attachment 1, page 2, column 2, including the Minnesota design-day capacity of 675,120 Dth, effective November, 2004;**

**Approved a Minnesota-jurisdictional allocation factor of 0.1290 for allocating the costs of entitlements on Viking for the Minnesota portion of the Grand Forks lateral;**

**Approved a Moorhead, Minnesota jurisdictional allocation factor of 0.2089 to properly allocate the costs of the pipeline loop installed by Viking to service the incremental needs for the Moorhead, Minnesota/Fargo, North Dakota area;**

**Approved a Minnesota-jurisdictional allocation factor of 0.8922 for allocating the rest of the costs associated with the requested firm demand entitlements; and**

**Approved recovery of the associated demand costs, as recommended by the Department, effective with the dates each cost is actually incurred and consistent with Xcel Energy's seasonal rate design.**

**This decision is issued by the Commission's consent calendar subcommittee, under a delegation of authority granted under Minn. Stat. § 216A.03, subd. 8 (a). Unless a party, a participant, or a Commissioner files an objection to this decision within ten days of receiving it, it will become the Order of the full Commission under Minn. Stat. § 216A.03, subd. 8 (b).**

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The Commission agrees with and adopts the recommendations of the Department of Commerce which are attached and hereby incorporated in the Order.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Burl W. Haar  
Executive Secretary

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