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PSC Approves Rate Adjustment for NSP Customers

MADISON – Today the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) addressed Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin's (NSPW) request to adjust its electricity rates. The PSC decision results in an electric rate increase of approximately \$20.8 million or 3.8 percent. Average NSPW residential customers using 730 kilowatt hours a month will see a monthly electric bill increase of about \$3.25.

NSPW requested an electric rate increase of approximately \$29.1 million, or 5.4%, and did not ask for or receive a change in natural gas rates.

When a utility requests a change in rates, the PSC conducts a thorough audit of the utility's forecasted expenses and revenues. The agency looked at the amount NSPW needs to provide a reliable source of energy which includes costs for maintenance, new construction, and fuels. The Commission will issue a written order to finalize the rates approved in today's decision. The new rates become effective after the written order is issued.

Public hearings were held in November and December 2010 in La Crosse, Eau Claire and Madison. The testimony provided at the hearings was part of the record the Commission reviewed as it considered all the aspects of the application.

The documents associated with NSPW's application can be viewed on the PSC's Electronic Regulatory Filing System at <http://psc.wi.gov/>. Type case number 4220-UR-116 in the boxes provided on the PSC homepage or click on Electronic Regulatory Filing System button.

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