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**Re: *In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company for Authority to Increase Rate for Electric Service in the State of MN (GR-15-826)***

**OAH 19-2500-33074  
MPUC GR-15-826**

Dear Mr. Savelkoul:

I received the Petition to Intervene of Minnesota Chamber of Commerce in IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN MINNESOTA, Docket No. E002/Gr-15-826. As I was reviewing the Supplemental Direct Testimony of Christopher B. Clark, dated January 29, 2015, filed in this proceeding on behalf of his employer, Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (Xcel), I read that Mr. Clark was on the Board of your client. In my experience, Board members of an organization are often involved in determining whether and with what aims the organization will participate in litigation. I would like to understand what role Mr. Clark has with respect to the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce's participation in this proceeding before deciding whether to permit your client to intervene. My concern in considering your client's intervention is whether the interests of the Chamber are different than those of Xcel.

If you have any questions, please contact my legal assistant Denyse Johnson at (651) 361-7888, [denyse.johnson@state.mn.us](mailto:denyse.johnson@state.mn.us), or facsimile at 651-539-0310.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jeffery Oxley'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

JEFFERY OXLEY  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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