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Ms. Lisa Felice
Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 W. Saginaw Highway
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RE: 2025 Mercury Emissions Report for Northern States Power
Company, a Wisconsin Corporation and Wholly Owned
Subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc.

Case No. U-12486

Dear Ms. Felice:

Enclosed is the annual mercury emission report for Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin Corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. (NSPW). This report was mandated by a Michigan Public Service Commission order (Case No. U 12486) issued on June 19, 2000, pursuant to 2000 PA 141. The report indicates that all NSPW generating plants located in Michigan comply with all federal Environmental Protection Agency mercury regulations.

If you or the Commission have any questions regarding the content of this report, please contact me at (612) 216-8206 or by e-mail at Austin.j.lesmeister@xcelenergy.com.

Sincerely,

Austin Lesmeister

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the matter, on the Commission's own motion,)
to require an annual report on compliance with)
the Mercury Emissions provisions of 2000 PA 141.)
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Case No. U-12486

**Report on the Compliance Status of Each Electrical Power
Generating Facility in Michigan with all Rules, Regulations,
and Standards of the Federal Environmental Protection
Agency Regarding Mercury Emissions as
Required Under 2000 PA 141**

Dated: January 2, 2026

**Submitted by: Northern States Power Company - a Wisconsin Corporation
and Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc.**

1. Introduction

Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin Corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. (NSPW), submits this report in response to the Commission's June 19, 2000, order in the captioned docket. The Commission ordered the owner or operator of each electrical power generating facility in Michigan to file a report showing that each generating facility is compliant with all applicable federal Environmental Protection Agency regulations governing mercury emissions and explaining how the owner or operator determined each generating facility is in compliance. If any facility is not in compliance, the report shall detail how it will bring the facility or facilities into compliance and shall commit to a date for full compliance. The commission also ordered that the first report required under Case No. U-12486 be filed within 90 days of the Commission's June 19, 2000 Order, and that each subsequent report be filed by January 31 of each succeeding year. The following report satisfies the requirements of Subsection 10d(9) 2000 PA 141 ; MCL 460.10d(9); and MSA 22.13 (10d)(9).

2. Compliance Certification

NSPW is the owner of two small hydropower, electric generating facilities located on the Montreal River that forms the boundary between Wisconsin and Michigan. NSPW's Saxon Falls plant has a nominal output rating of 1.5 MW and the Superior Falls plant has a nominal output rating of 1.8 MW. Because of the natural forces used to generate electricity, neither plant has air emissions that contain mercury. In addition, neither plant is subject to the reporting requirements under the federal Environmental Protection Agency's Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) program. Neither facility discharges, or is permitted to discharge wastewater under the NPDES program included in the Clean Water Act (CWA).

We have reviewed provisions of various federal programs that regulate mercury emissions

or that require reporting of specific pollutants. At this time, none of these regulations apply to the Saxon Falls or Superior Falls generating plants.

Based on this review of existing regulations and the design characteristics of these two generating plants, NSPW submits that both facilities are compliant with all applicable federal Environmental Protection Agency mercury regulations. Should the Commission or its staff require additional information, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 2, 2026