

**NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy
South Dakota Electric Rate Case
Report of Tariff Schedule Change
Test Year Ending September 30, 2014**

Name of Utility: NorthWestern Energy

Utility Address: 3010 W. 69th Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Description of Change: General Rate Increase

Reason for Change: Revenue Deficiency

Proposed Effective Date of Modified Rate: March 1, 2015

Approximate Annual Change in Revenue

Residential	\$ 10,522,422
Irrigation	36,647
Commercial	3,132,025
Commercial and Industrial	12,279,952
Municipal	134,489
Lighting	403,962
Rounding	<u>60</u>
	\$26,509,557

Communities Affected: All South Dakota communities served by NorthWestern Energy

Approximate Number of Customers Affected:

Residential	49,522
Irrigation	68
Commercial	9,694
Commercial and Industrial	2,424
Municipal	262
Lighting (Number of Lights)	<u>146</u>
	62,116

Present Rate: \$131,007,400

Proposed Rate: \$157,516,957

Approximate Annual Increase in Revenue: \$26,509,557

Number of Customers Whose Cost of Service will be Affected: All South Dakota Electric customers

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