

(A direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc.)

**Financial Statements** 

For the Period Ending June 30, 2025

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## CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2025		2024
Revenues				
Electric	\$	96,300	\$	91,295
Gas		61,378		60,390
Total Revenues		157,678		151,685
Operating Expenses				
Fuel, purchased supply and direct transmission expense (exclusive of depreciation shown separately below)		66,130		69,951
Operating, administrative and general		34,154		31,444
Property and other taxes		3,898		3,545
Depreciation		25,435		24,546
Total Operating Expenses		129,617		129,486
Operating income		28,061		22,199
Interest expense, net		(12,641)		(12,329)
Other income, net		959		827
Income before income taxes		16,379		10,697
Income tax (expense) benefit		(2,212)		1,634
Net Income	\$	14,167	\$	12,331

## CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands)

	 Six Months Ended June 30,			
	 2025			
Net Income	\$ 14,167	\$	12,331	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:			_	
Comprehensive Income	\$ 14,167	\$	12,331	

## CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

## (in thousands)

	As	s of June 30,	As of December 31,		
		2025		2024	
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	611	\$	1,565	
Restricted cash		9,691		9,691	
Accounts receivable, net		28,725		37,881	
Accounts receivable from related parties		1,353		_	
Inventories		34,234		33,434	
Regulatory assets		3,747		12,200	
Prepaid expenses and other		13,296		12,584	
Total current assets		91,657		107,355	
Property, plant, and equipment, net		1,107,024		1,093,239	
Goodwill		93,779		93,779	
Regulatory assets		96,098		96,991	
Other noncurrent assets		10,263		10,250	
Total Assets	\$	1,398,821	\$	1,401,614	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current Liabilities:					
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	59,964	\$	63,991	
Accounts payable		15,358		27,846	
Accounts payable to related parties		_		1,432	
Accrued expenses		29,621		38,595	
Regulatory liabilities		13,374		17,155	
Total current liabilities		118,317		149,019	
Long-term debt		511,862		488,195	
Deferred income taxes		38,891		29,788	
Noncurrent regulatory liabilities		113,468		110,514	
Other noncurrent liabilities		31,441		32,090	
Total Liabilities		813,979		809,606	
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 5)					
Shareholders' Equity:					
Common stock, par value \$0.01		0		0	
Paid-in capital		581,659		580,992	
Retained earnings		2,354		10,187	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		829		829	
Total Shareholders' Equity		584,842		592,008	
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	1,398,821	\$	1,401,614	

### CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30		
		2025	2024
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net Income	\$	14,167 \$	12,331
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operations:			
Depreciation		25,435	24,546
Amortization of debt issuance costs, discount and deferred hedge gain		486	480
Stock-based compensation costs		667	641
Equity portion of allowance for funds used during construction		(468)	(445)
Deferred income taxes		714	(1,675
Changes in current assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable		6,371	11,480
Inventories		(800)	300
Other current assets		(712)	(1,042)
Accounts payable		(12,645)	(8,771)
Accrued expenses		(8,994)	703
Regulatory assets		8,453	(2,990)
Regulatory liabilities		(3,781)	(5,076
Other noncurrent assets and liabilities		7,972	1,599
Cash Provided by Operating Activities		36,865	32,081
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Property, plant, and equipment additions		(35,291)	(25,264)
Cash Used in Investing Activities		(35,291)	(25,264
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Cash contribution from NorthWestern Corporation		_	253
Cash dividends to parent		(22,000)	(6,746)
Issuance of long-term debt		100,000	40,000
Repayments on long-term debt		(64,000)	
Line of credit repayments, net		(16,000)	(31,000
Financing costs		(528)	(234
Cash (Used in) Provided by Financing Activities		(2,528)	2,273
Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash		(954)	9,090
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash, beginning of period		11,256	0
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash, end of period	\$	10,302 \$	9,090
Supplemental Cash Flow Information:		<u> </u>	
Cash (received) paid during the period for:			
Production tax credits <sup>(1)</sup>		(8,255)	_
Interest		11,842	11,245
Significant non-cash transactions:			
Capital expenditures included in accounts payable		3,996	1,626

(1) Proceeds from production tax credits transferred are included in cash provided by operating activities within the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.

## CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMMON SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

## (in thousands)

	Number of Common Shares	Number of Treasury Shares	Common Stock	Paid in Capital	Treasury Stock	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Shareholders' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2023	0		\$ 0	<u> </u>	\$ —	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	\$ 0
Net income						12,331		12,331
Stock based compensation	_	_	_	640	_	12,331	_	640
Cash Dividend	_	_	0	_	_	(6,746)	_	(6,746)
Contribution from Northwestern Corporation	_	_	0	580,200	_	_	325	580,525
Balance at June 30, 2024	0		\$ 0	\$ 580,840	\$ —	\$ 5,585	\$ 325	\$ 586,750
Balance at December 31, 2024	0		\$ 0	\$ 580,992	<u> </u>	\$ 10,187	\$ 829	\$ 592,008
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	14,167	_	14,167
Stock based compensation	_	_	_	667	_	_	_	667
Dividends on common stock	_	_	_	_	_	(22,000)	_	(22,000)
Balance at June 30, 2025	0		\$ 0	\$ 581,659	<u>\$</u>	\$ 2,354	\$ 829	\$ 584,842

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### (1) Nature of Operations and Basis of Consolidation

Northwestern Energy Public Service Corporation (NWE Public Service), a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc., doing business as NorthWestern Energy, provides electricity and / or natural gas to approximately 159,100 customers in South Dakota and Nebraska. We have generated and distributed electricity in South Dakota and distributed natural gas in South Dakota and Nebraska since 1923.

The Condensed Financial Statements (Financial Statements) for the periods included herein have been prepared by NWE Public Service (NorthWestern, we, or us) in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information. Accordingly, the interim Financial Statements do not include all of the information and note disclosures required by GAAP for complete financial statements. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the interim reporting guidance under GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that may affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Events occurring subsequent to June 30, 2025, have been evaluated as to their potential impact to the Financial Statements through the date of issuance.

#### **Holding Company Reorganization**

On January 1, 2024, NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc. completed the second and final phase of the holding company reorganization. NW Corp contributed the assets and liabilities of its South Dakota and Nebraska regulated utilities to NWE Public Service, and then distributed its equity interest in NWE Public Service and certain other subsidiaries to NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc., resulting in NW Corp owning and operating the Montana regulated utility and NWE Public Service owning and operating the Nebraska and South Dakota utilities, each as a direct subsidiary of NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc.

#### (2) Regulatory Matters

#### Nebraska Natural Gas Rate Review

In June 2024, we filed a natural gas rate review with the Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC). Interim rates, which increased base natural gas rates \$2.3 million, were implemented on October 1, 2024. In April 2025, we reached a settlement agreement with certain parties for a base rate annual revenue increase of \$2.4 million. In June 2025, the NPSC approved this settlement agreement and final rates were implemented on July 1, 2025.

#### (3) Financing Activities

On May 1, 2025, NWE Public Service issued and sold \$100.0 million aggregate principal amount of South Dakota First Mortgage Bonds at a fixed interest rate of 5.49 percent maturing on May 1, 2035. These bonds were issued in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933. Proceeds were utilized to repay at maturity \$64.0 million of NWE Public Service's 5.01 percent South Dakota First Mortgage Bonds due on May 1, 2025 and for other general utility purposes.

#### (4) Employee Benefit Plans

#### **Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans**

We sponsor and/or contribute to pension and postretirement health care and life insurance benefit plans for eligible employees. We did not contribute to our pension plans during the six months ended June 30, 2025. We do not expect to contribute additional amounts to our pension plans during the remainder of 2025.

#### (5) Commitments and Contingencies

#### ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITIES AND REGULATION

#### **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Rules**

On April 25, 2024, the EPA released final rules related to greenhouse gas (GHG) emission standards (GHG Rules) for existing coal-fired facilities and new coal and natural gas-fired facilities as well as final rules strengthening the MATS requirements (MATS Rules). The final MATS and GHG Rules require compliance as early as 2027 and 2032, respectively.

Previous efforts by the EPA were met with extensive litigation, and this time is no different. We, along with many other utilities, electric cooperatives, organizations, and states, have petitioned for judicial review of the GHG and MATS Rules with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. The United States Supreme Court denied the multiple stay requests related to the MATS Rule and the GHG Rule. The litigation on the merits continues for both the MATS and GHG rules in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, and the cases could be decided in 2025.

On April 8, 2025, President Trump issued a proclamation, "Regulatory Relief for Certain Stationary Sources to Promote American Energy," exempting certain coal plants, including Big Stone Plant and Coyote Plant, from compliance with the MATS Rule through July 8, 2029. If the MATS Rules and GHG Rules are fully implemented, it would result in additional material compliance costs for us. On June 11, 2025, the EPA issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking containing two proposals to reform GHG regulations. If either the lead or alternative proposal is adopted, our additional material compliance costs would be eliminated. A virtual public hearing on this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was held on July 8, 2025, and final comments to this rulemaking are due back by August 7, 2025. On June 11, 2025, the EPA also issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to rescind the 2024 MATS Rule, which if enacted, would restore the original 2012 MATS standards. A virtual public hearing on this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was held on July 10, 2025, and final comments are due by August 11, 2025. There is no mandated timeline from the close of public comment to the time when the final rules are published.

These GHG Rules and MATS Rules as well as future additional environmental requirements - federal or state - could cause us to incur material costs of compliance, increase our costs of procuring electricity, decrease transmission revenue and impact cost recovery. Technology to efficiently capture, remove and/or sequester such GHG emissions or hazardous air pollutants may not be available within a timeframe consistent with the implementation of any such requirements.

#### **LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

#### **Other Legal Proceedings**

We are subject to various other legal proceedings, governmental audits and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business. In our opinion, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to these actions will not materially affect our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.