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March 13, 2015

—Via Electronic Filing—

Daniel P. Wolf
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: PUC LETTER
COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDENS PROGRAM
DOCKET NO. E002/M-13-867

Dear Mr. Wolf:

We received your letter dated March 10, 2015. As the Commission is aware, the Company has raised concerns regarding the size of projects proposed in the Solar*Rewards Community program and the bill credit rates intended for subscribers to those projects. We have described our concerns in a series of filings, including January 13, February 10, March 2, and March 4. Other parties, including the Department of Commerce and solar developers, have in turn submitted comments addressing the size and price of community solar projects, too. As the record reflects, the issues of size and price are in dispute.

Since your letter dated March 10 is one of procedure, we understand that these issues are unresolved and we look forward to the Commission's deliberation on these issues in the near future.

We recognize that it may be beneficial for parties to work through these issues in the interim, and to attempt to find workable solutions. For that reason, the Company will again convene the Solar*Rewards Community Implementation Workgroup to discuss issues raised by Commission staff and staff at the Department, including:

- Community solar garden size
- Interconnection practices
- Other implementation issues

Our goal is to meet as a Workgroup three times between March 15 and April 15, and to challenge participants to come together around constructive solutions. At the conclusion of these meetings, we will advise the Commission of the outcome of our discussions. We recognize the importance of working through these disputed issues in an efficient manner, and we hope to bring back a report to the Commission in mid-April. We are hopeful that these efforts will yield meaningful progress towards solutions that address concerns with the program.

We have electronically filed this document with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and copies have been served on the parties on the attached service list.

Please contact me at Aakash.Chandarana@xcelenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

AAKASH H. CHANDARANA
REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT
RATES AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lynnette Sweet, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the foregoing document on the attached list of persons.

xx by depositing a true and correct copy thereof, properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States mail at Minneapolis, Minnesota

xx electronic filing

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Dated this 13th day of March 2015

/s/

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