



Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

PUC Agenda Meeting

Thursday, August 6, 2026

10:00 AM

INTRODUCTION

DECISION ITEMS

1. [Details 2024-211](#)

**** E002/RP-24-67; Northern States Power Co. d/b/a Xcel Energy
E002/CN-23-212**

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's 2024-2040 Upper Midwest Integrated Resource Plan;
In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Competitive Resource Acquisition Process for up to 800
Megawatts of Firm Dispatchable Generation.

1. Should the Commission require Xcel to work with interested parties to develop a tariff to support customer-owned thermal batteries and file a tariff proposal within 90 days?
2. If the Commission requires a new tariff, should the tariff be filed in a new docket?
3. If the Commission requires a new tariff, what information should the initial filing include? (PUC: **Stalpes**)

Attachments:

[Briefing Papers](#)

2. [Details 2025-057](#)

**** IP7153/GS-25-89; Summit Lake Solar, LLC;
IP7153/ESS-25-88 Summit Lake Storage, LLC**

In the Matter of the Joint Site Permit Application of Summit Lake Solar, LLC and
Summit Lake Storage, LLC for a Solar Energy Generating System Site Permit and a
Battery Energy Storage System Site Permit for the up to 200 MW Summit Lake Solar
Facility and Battery Energy Storage System in Nobles County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission adopt the Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations?
2. Should the Commission find that the environmental assessment and the record created at the public hearings address the issues identified in the scoping decision?
3. Should the Commission grant a site permit for the proposed battery energy storage system?
4. Should the Commission grant a site permit for the proposed solar project?
5. If granted, what additional conditions or requirements should be included in the site permits? (PUC: **Janezich**)

Attachments:[Revised Briefing Papers](#)**3. [Details 2026-143](#)****** E002/TL-26-135****Northern States Power Co. d/b/a Xcel Energy;
Echo Zone, LLC**

In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Echo Zone LLC for a Route Permit for the North Rochester to Skyway High Voltage Transmission Line Project in Goodhue County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission require an addendum to the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project?
2. If an addendum is required, should the Commission authorize the Executive Secretary to approve the scope of an EA addendum?
3. If an addendum is required, should the Commission extend the six-month statutory deadline for the Commission to make a decision (not to exceed nine months)?
4. Should the Commission issue the draft route permit prepared by Energy Infrastructure Permitting Staff (PUC EIP staff), including the proposed special permit conditions?
5. Should the Commission request that an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) from the Court of Administrative Hearings (CAH) conduct public hearings for the project and prepare a summary of public testimony as expeditiously as possible?? (PUC: **Maxon, Weaver**)

Attachments:[Briefing Papers](#)**ADJOURNMENT**

*** One star indicates that an agenda item is not disputed.**

**** Two stars indicate that an agenda item is disputed and there may be legal, procedural, or policy issues to be resolved.**

***** Three stars indicate a complex or lengthy disputed agenda item that may have significant legal, procedural, or policy issues to be resolved.**

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