

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy for an up to 135.5 MW Battery Energy Storage System Site Permit for the Blue Lake Battery Energy Storage Project in Scott County, Minnesota

SERVICE DATE: August 22, 2025

DOCKET NO. E-002/ESS-25-214

The above-entitled matter has been considered by the Commission and the following disposition made:

**Delegated authority to the Executive Secretary to issue an authorization to the applicant to initiate consultation with the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office.**

**This decision is issued by the Commission's consent calendar subcommittee, under a delegation of authority granted under Minn. Stat. § 216A.03, subd. 8 (a). Unless a party, a participant, or a Commissioner files an objection to this decision within ten days of receiving it, it will become the Order of the full Commission under Minn. Stat. § 216A.03, subd. 8 (b).**

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION



*Michael Bull*

Mike Bull  
Acting Executive Secretary

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I, Robin Benson, hereby certify that I have this day, served a true and correct copy of the following document to all persons at the addresses indicated below or on the attached list by electronic filing, electronic mail, courier, interoffice mail or by depositing the same enveloped with postage paid in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

### **Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ORDER**

Docket Number: **E-002/ESS-25-214**

Dated this **22nd** day of **August, 2025**

/s/ Robin Benson

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