

Proposed NEW Decision Option Docket No. E002/C-20-892 Commissioner Schuerger March 3, 2021

[NEW] 9. Require Xcel Energy to work constructively with Lead Participants in the Distributed Generation Workgroup who also participated in this docket on the following and report findings and improvements agreed to the Commission by [DATE]:

- a. Improved information provided to the Interconnection Customer with Xcel Energy's System Impact Study results to help the customer make more informed decisions going forward. The subgroup should consider, at a minimum, what assumptions and study methodologies accurately reflect good utility practice in the study of DER performance and impacts on the distribution system.
- b. More transparent communication about how the Company's distribution system design standards, policies and business practices related to distributed energy resource interconnections constitute good utility practice; including rationale when updates or changes to the standards, policies, or business practices occur. The subgroup should consider at a minimum: referencing in the TSM, publishing on the website, and/or hosting trainings of developers among other options.