

June 23, 2022

Will Seuffert  
Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
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St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2147

**RE: Letter of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources**  
Docket No. E002/M-21-767

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

On June 6, 2022, Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (Xcel or the Company) filed Reply Comments in response to the Department's May 25, 2022 Comments. Xcel provided its perspective on whether Order Point No. 8 of the Commission's November 9, 2021 Order in the Company's 2020 Hosting Capacity Analysis (HCA) Report proceeding in Docket No. E002/M-21-812 was a compliance item that the Commission intended for Xcel to address in the 2021 HCA Report (the instant proceeding) or the Company's 2022 HCA Report, expected on or before November 1, 2022.

While Order Point No. 8 unambiguously identifies the Fast Track Supplement Review Screen (FTSRS) Use Case as the use case consistent with the Commission's long-term goal of the hosting capacity analysis, the Department acknowledges the ongoing stakeholder process the Company is required to conduct regarding future use cases and incorporating the HCA into the interconnection process. The resulting information and analyses from that stakeholder process could inform the Company's analysis and proposal to implement the FTSRS Use Case.

Therefore, the Department recommends that the Commission find that Xcel Energy's 2021 Hosting Capacity Analysis Report achieves the requirements outlined in the Commission's July 31, 2020 Order in Docket No. E002/M-19-685, the Commission's November 9, 2021 Order, and Minn. Stat. §216B.2425, subd. 8 with the understanding that Xcel will comply with Ordering Paragraph 8 of the Commission's November 9, 2021 Order in the 2022 HCA Report expected on or before November 1, 2022.

Sincerely,

/s/ MATTHEW LANDI  
Rates Analyst

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Sharon Ferguson, hereby certify that I have this day, served copies of the following document on the attached list of persons by electronic filing, certified mail, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Minnesota Department of Commerce  
Letter**

**Docket No. E002/M-21-767**

Dated this **23<sup>rd</sup>** day of **June 2022**

**/s/Sharon Ferguson**

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