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—VIA ELECTRONIC FILING—

Will Seuffert
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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
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RE: REPLY COMMENTS
RENEWABLE*CONNECT PROGRAM ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING
DOCKET NO. E002/M-22-161

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission these Reply Comments in response to the Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources' May 2, 2022 Comments in the above-referenced docket.

We appreciate the Department's thorough review of our Renewable*Connect Annual Compliance Filing and Tracker Account Report for reporting year 2021 and their recommendation that the Commission accept the report. In response to the Department's request for additional information regarding our efforts to reduce line loss expenses, we acknowledge that we have observed the continuing increases and are examining the situation. We have not yet reached any conclusions about the causes or solutions to the issue but will continue monitoring and will provide updates in future reports as more is known.

We also note that at the Department's recommendation, if the R*C program continues to incur a net economic cost in program year 2022, we will provide a detailed explanation as to why those costs are being incurred and describe potential steps to mitigate impacts to the system in our 2023 R*C program compliance filing.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216.17, subd. 3, we have electronically filed this document, and served copies on all parties on the attached service list. Please contact Pamela Gibbs at pamela.k.gibbs@xcelenergy.com or (612) 330-2889; or Holly Hinman at holly.r.hinman@xcelenergy.com or (612) 330-5941 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

HOLLY HINMAN
REGULATORY MANAGER

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

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Dated this 12th day of May 2022

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