



March 19, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING-

Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
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RE: Letter in response to Staff Briefing Papers (Staff omission of relevant documents from Rondo Energy)

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Competitive Resource Acquisition Process for up to 800 Megawatts of Firm Dispatchable Generation, Docket Number: E002/CN-23-212

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Rondo Energy, Inc. ("Rondo") respectfully submits this letter in response to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Staff Briefing Papers filed on March 13, 2024 ("Staff Briefing Papers"), ahead of the Commission agenda meeting on March 21, 2024.

A. Omission of Rondo's Proposal in Staff Briefing Papers

In the Staff Briefing Papers, under Relevant Documents, Staff only included Rondo's Reply Comments dated February 27, 2024. We note that Rondo's initial filings with the proposal and attachments have been omitted from the Relevant Documents list.

The Staff Briefing Papers did, however, include Rondo in *Table 1. Summary of Bids*,¹ provide a summary of Rondo's proposal under Project Bids, item VII,² include Rondo in *Table 2. Department's Analysis of Completeness* noting Rondo did submit supplemental materials,³ and noted that Rondo submitted reply comments with additional information in response to the Department's initial evaluation of completeness.⁴

We respectfully ask that Staff as well as the Commission consider the following document for inclusion under "Relevant Documents" for the Commission meeting on March 21, 2024:

Relevant Documents
Rondo Proposal (PUBLIC)

Date
January 22, 2024

¹ Staff Briefing Papers for Docket No. **E002/CN-23-212, filed on March 13, 2024, p. 7

² Staff Briefing Papers for Docket No. **E002/CN-23-212, filed on March 13, 2024, p. 10

³ Staff Briefing Papers for Docket No. **E002/CN-23-212, filed on March 13, 2024, p. 12

⁴ Staff Briefing Papers for Docket No. **E002/CN-23-212, filed on March 13, 2024, p. 22

B. Omission of Rondo's Proposal and Supplemental Reply Comments in the Attachments for March 21, 2024 PUC Agenda Meeting

Similarly, neither the Rondo Proposal nor the Rondo Reply Comments with requested supplemental information were included in the attachments in the Commission's "Legistar" webpage, shown in Figure 1.

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Title: ** E002/CN-23-212 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (Xcel Energy or the Company) In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Competitive Resource Acquisition Process for up to 800 Megawatts of Firm Dispatchable Generation. 1. Should the Commission find the proposals complete under the requirements outlined in the revised Attachment C-Appendix A as found in Xcel Energy's November 13, 2023 compliance filing? 2. Should the Commission refer the matter to the Office of Administrative Hearings for contested case proceedings? (PUC: Stalpes, Strauss)

Attachments: 1. [PUC Order Approving Petition 11-3-23](#), 2. [Xcel Compliance Filing 11-13-23](#), 3. [Xcel Cover Letter 1-22-24](#), 4. [Xcel, Bison Generating Station Proposal Summary 1-22-24](#), 5. [Xcel, Bison Generating Station Proposal App A-D 1-22-24](#), 6. [Xcel, Lyon County Proposal Summary 1-22-24](#), 7. [Xcel, Lyon County Proposal Summary App A-D 1-22-24](#), 8. [Xcel, Sherco West Bess Proposal Summary 1-22-24](#), 9. [Xcel, Sherco West Bess Proposal App A-C 1-22-24](#), 10. [Xcel, PUBLIC Black Start Attributes and Needs 1-22-24](#), 11. [Invenergy, PUBLIC Lake Wilson Storage Proposal 1-23-24](#), 12. [Invenergy, PUBLIC Cannon Falls Proposal 1-22-24](#), 13. [Invenergy, Lake Wilson Proposal Figs 1-6 1-23-24](#), 14. [NGR, Renewables Cover Letter Part 1 1-22-24](#), 15. [NGR, Renewables Cover Letter Part 2 1-22-24](#), 16. [NGR, Renewables Cover Letter Part 3 1-22-24](#), 17. [NextEra PUBLIC Part 5 1-22-24](#), 18. [DESRI North Star Energy Bid Document 1-22-24](#), 19. [Invenergy, Comments and Supp Info 2-16-24](#), 20. [DOC Comments 2-20-24](#), 21. [Clean Grid Alliance Comments 2-20-24](#), 22. [Xcel Comments 2-20-24](#), 23. [Xcel PUBLIC Reply Comments 2-27-24](#), 24. [Onward Letter 2-28-24](#), 25. [Onward PUBLIC Reply Comments 3-1-24](#), 26. [Xcel Supplemental Reply Comments 3-5-24](#), 27. [Briefing Papers](#), 28. [Onward Letter 3-18-24](#)

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Figure 1. Screen capture of Legistar webpage for the March 21, 2024 PUC Agenda Meeting.⁵

If appropriate, respectfully ask that both of the following documents be included in the attachments for the Commission to consider in its March 21, 2024 PUC Agenda Meeting:

- Rondo's initial filing proposal ('public' version, filed on January 22, 2024)
- Rondo's Supplemental Reply Comment Cover Letter ('public' version, filed on February 27, 2024)

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

/s/ John O'Donnell

John O'Donnell
Chief Executive Officer
Rondo Energy

⁵ <https://minnesotapuc.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=6347297&GUID=F16A8410-8B07-46A1-B05D-569CC775E064> (accessed on March 19, 2024)