In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Competitive Resource Acquisition Process for up to 800 Megawatts of Firm Dispatchable Generation.

Docket No. E002/CN-23-212

Commissioner Tuma proposes the following alternative decision options:

Tuma Alternative 2. Allow 7 days from the agenda meeting for parties to respond to the Department's request for additional information as found in the Department's February 20, 2024 comments. If the Department continues to object to the completeness of any proposals after the filing of additional information, the ALJ shall determine the completeness of the proposals as part of the contested case proceedings.

Tuma Alternative 3. Refer the matter to the ALJ for a contested case to determine the project(s) that best meets the identified need in the IRP, taking into account Xcel's capacity need in the 2027-29 time period, the statutory criteria under the Renewable Preference Statute and Carbon-Free Standard, Xcel's need for generic firm dispatchable generation and, if relevant, whether existing- generic firm dispatchable capacity can meet the reliability needs in 2027-29; whether alternative proposals can provide similar reliability attributes, and any other relevant considerations identified by the parties.