



Docket #: 18-702

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission:

I am writing in support of Xcel Energy and their plan to purchase of the Mankato Energy Center from Southern Company.

I value Xcel Energy's commitment to lower emissions and clean energy. Xcel believes the purchase of this natural gas plant will help continue their transition to an energy system that reduces carbon emissions, while delivering reliable electricity at affordable rates to customers. I also commend Xcel for their commitment to pursuing other clean energy options.

In addition to being South Central College's electrical provider, Xcel Energy has been an important supporter of South Central College's North Mankato and Faribault Campuses. For many years, they have been generous financial contributors to both our Campus Foundations, and have long-time representation on our Foundation Boards.

I know this support and involvement extends to many other organizations within our communities as well. They are truly an outstanding, responsible corporate citizen in our region, with a commitment to doing not only what is in the best interest of the company, but the customer as well.

Sincerely,

Dr. Annette Parker

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