

## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: *November 14, 2017*

**In the Matter of** the Petition of Northern State Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, for Approval of a Time of Use Rate Design Pilot Program

**PUC Docket Number(s):** E002/M-17-775

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes December 22, 2017 at 4:30pm  
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**Issue:** Should the Commission approve Xcel's proposal for implementing a Residential Time of Use (TOU) Rate Pilot?

### Topic(s) Open for Comment:

- Whether the Commission should approve Xcel's:
  - Proposal for implementing a Residential TOU Rate Pilot;
  - Proposed pilot Tariff; and
  - Requested accounting treatment.
- Whether the Commission should consider Xcel's Petition in conjunction with or separate from the Company's Grid Modernization Report in Docket No. E002/M-17-776.
- Whether the Commission should approve Xcel's Request for certification of the Residential TOU Rate Pilot;
- Are there other issues or concerns related to this matter?

**Background:** On November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, Xcel Energy filed a Petition for approval of a Residential Time of Use (TOU) Rate Design Pilot Program. Xcel submitted its Petition in conjunction with the Company's Grid Modernization Report in Docket No. E002/M-17-776, which complies with Minn. Stat. § 216B.2425, subd. 2(e) and 8 (the Grid Modernization statute). In its Petition, Xcel requested the Commission: (1) approve Xcel's request for certification of the Residential TOU Rate Pilot; (2) approve Xcel's proposal for implementing a Residential TOU Rate Pilot; (3) approve Xcel's proposed pilot Tariff; and (4) approve Xcel's requested accounting treatment of the pilot. See Minn. Stat. §216B.16, subd. 7b for more on the purpose of certification.

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