

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: April 3, 2019

In the Matter of Northern States Power Company's d.b.a. Xcel Energy Petition for Approval of the Acquisition of the Mankato Energy Center (MEC)

PUC Docket Numbers: IP-6949, E-002/PA-18-702, GS-15-620

Comment Period: Supplemental comment period closes April 30, 2019 at 4:30pm

Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Commission.

Issue: Should the Commission approve the purchase of the Mankato Energy Center and approve transfer of its site permit?

Background: On March 11, 2019, Xcel Energy (Xcel) filed an extension request, asking the Commission to extend the Reply Comment deadline by two weeks in order to respond to issues raised by the parties. Xcel discussed the extension request with Southern Company in advance, and Xcel noted Southern supported the request.

On March 29, 2019, Xcel filed Reply Comments regarding the Company's Petition seeking approval to acquire from Southern Company the Mankato Energy Center. In addition to responding to various issues raised in stakeholders' comments, Xcel provided in its Reply Comments Strategist scenarios that limit the plant's operating life to 2050 and 2040, respectively, as well as several other scenarios developed in response to the Department's comments.

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