

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: *February 14, 2018*

In the Matter of the Petition for Approval of Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy, for Approval of its Community Solar Garden Program

PUC Docket No.: E-002/M-13-867

Comment period: Initial comment period closes April 6, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.
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Issue: What action should the Commission take based on Xcel Energy's (Xcel's) February 1, 2018 filing?

Topics open for comment:

- Did Xcel provide a reasonable analysis of the potential incremental bill impacts of various levels of residential solar garden penetration under the Department of Commerce's proposal for a residential adder?
- Did Xcel provide a reasonable discussion of the concept of a solar residential carve-out for the Company's Community Solar Garden (CSG) program?
- Should the Commission take any further action at this time in response to Xcel's February 1, 2018 filing?

Background: On December 1, 2017, the Commission issued a notice providing details and requiring Xcel to file an analysis of: (1) the potential rate impact of various levels of residential solar garden penetration under the Department of Commerce's proposal for a residential adder, and (2) how a solar residential carve-out might be implemented and enforced. Xcel was directed to file these analyses by February 1, 2018. On December 14, 2017, the Commission issued its *Order Requiring Further Analysis of Residential Adders and Carve-Outs*, in the current docket. The Order required filings consistent with the December 1, 2017 Notice.

On February 1, 2018, Xcel filed its analysis of a Value of Solar (VOS) adder for its CSG program in response to the Commission's December 1, 2017 Notice and December 14, 2017 Order, in this matter.

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