

## **NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD – and Request for Information from Xcel Energy**

Issued: June 11, 2018

### **In the Matter of Utilities' Annual Reports on Progress in Achieving the Solar Energy Standard**

**PUC Docket Number(s):** E999/M-18-205

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes July 11, 2018 at 4:30pm

Reply comment period closes July 23, 2018 at 4:30pm

*The Commission may determine that it will not consider comments received after the close of the comment period.*

#### **Topic(s) Open for Comment:**

- Should the Commission accept the 2018 Annual Reports on Progress in Achieving the Solar Energy Standard?
- Do the reports contain sufficient information to determine whether Minnesota's Investor Owned Utilities will be able to meet the Solar Energy Standard, beginning in 2020?
- Are there other issues or concerns related to this matter?

#### **Request for Information from Xcel Energy**

Staff requests that Xcel Energy provide the following information in the attached PUC IR 1 in by June 22, 4:30 pm in response to recent legislative changes to the SES statute and Solar\*Rewards statute.

**Background:** In an Order issued April 25, 2014, in Docket No. E-999/CI-13-542, the Commission established content requirements for utilities' annual Solar Energy Standards (SES) reports. The first reports were received in Docket No. E-999/M-14-321 and in an Order issued October 23, 2014, the Commission established additional content requirements for the annual SES reports.

In its [November 28, 2016 Order](#) in Docket No. E-999/M-16-342, the Commission delegated authority to the Executive Secretary to develop a standardized form for further SES Reports.

In its [October 20, 2017 Order](#) in Docket E999/M-17-283, the Commission delegated authority to the Executive Secretary to eliminate outdated or duplicative questions from the reports, and to update the reports as necessary.

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**State of Minnesota  
 Public Utilities Commission**

**Utility Information Request**

**Docket Number:** E999/M-18-205  
**Requested From:** Xcel Energy

**Date of Request:** June 11, 2017  
**Response Due:** June 22, 2017

**Analyst Requesting Information:** Hanna Terwilliger

Type of Inquiry:

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| PUC #1         | <p><a href="#">Laws of MN, 2018, Chapter 193 H.F. No. 3232</a> made changes to the SES Small Scale Carve Out and Solar*Rewards program. Please provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A brief analysis of how the changes to the Solar*Rewards program and SES Small Scale Carve Out threshold will impact SES compliance.</li> <li>• An updated Worksheet 3 – Solar Generation using the 40 kW threshold.</li> </ul> |