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NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON APPLICATION COMPLETENESS

Issued: August 22, 2016

In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy for a Route Permit for the Black Dog Natural Gas Pipeline Project in Burnsville, Minnesota

PUC Docket Number/s: G002/GP-16-656

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes September 6, 2016 at 4:30pm

Reply comment period closes September 13, 2016 at 4:30pm

Topic/s Open for Comment:

- Does the route permit application contain the information required by Minnesota Rules 7852.2100 to 7852.3100?
- Are there contested issue of fact with respect to the representations made in the application?
- Should the Commission appoint an advisory task force?
- Any other project-related issues or concerns?

Project Background: On August 18, 2016 Xcel Energy (Xcel) filed an application to construct an approximately 2.2 mile natural gas pipeline from the Northern Natural Gas Cedar Station in Eagan to the Black Dog Generating Plant in Burnsville, Minnesota.

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