

November 24, 2025

Sasha Bergman
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
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RE: Supplemental Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce
Docket No. ET3, E002/CN-25-121

Dear Ms. Bergman:

The Minnesota Department of Commerce (Department) has reviewed the reply comments of Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, and Dairyland Power Cooperative in this matter.¹ Based upon that review, the Department considers all issues to have been resolved and recommends the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission approve the Notice Petition as modified by the reply comment.

The Department is available to answer any questions the Commission may have.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sydnie Lieb, Ph.D.
Assistant Commissioner, Office of Regulatory Analysis

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¹ *In the Matter of the Application for a Certificate of Need for the North Rochester – Columbia 765kV High Voltage Transmission Project (LRTP 26)*, Dairyland Power Cooperative and Xcel Energy, Notice Petition, October 8, 2025, Docket No. ET3, E002/CN-25-121, (eDockets) [202511-224997-01](#).