

KALMAR TOWNSHIP
OLMSTED COUNTY, MINNESOTA
Resolution No. 005

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONSIDERING AN ALTERNATIVE
ROUTING FOR THE POWERON MIDWEST PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Great River Energy, ITC Midwest LLC, and Northern States Power Company doing business as Xcel Energy (collectively, "Applicants") have filed a Joint Application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("MPUC") for a Certificate of Need (MPUC Docket No. E002, ET2, ET6675/CN-25-117) for the PowerOn Midwest Project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Application states that the Project was approved by Midcontinent Independent System Operator Inc. (MISO) as part of its Long-Range Transmission Planning (LRTP) Tranche 2.1 Portfolio; and

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat. §116B.04, even where a project serves public purposes, it may proceed only if there is "no feasible and prudent alternative"; and

WHEREAS, the current Study Area for the Project includes the following townships in Olmsted County: New Haven Township, Kalmar Township, Salem Township, Rock Dell Township, High Forest Township, Pleasant Grove Township, Orion Township, and Elmira Township; and

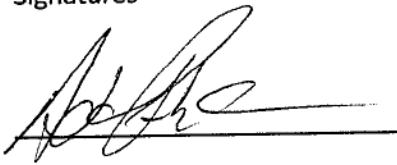
WHEREAS, a No Build Pleasant Valley to North Rochester 765 kV Option alternative was submitted on February 18, 2026, (MPUC Docket No. 25-117(CN) 20262-228287-01 by Thomforde) that may eliminate any impact on the townships in Olmsted County listed above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Kalmar Town Board supports a comprehensive review of the No Build Pleasant Valley to North Rochester 765 kV Option alternative for the PowerOn Midwest Project by the Applicants and MISO; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the comprehensive review by the Applicants and MISO should be started immediately instead of waiting up to a year for the scoping public comments to conclude, resulting in needlessly delaying the permitting process or compromising the quality of the comprehensive review process.

Adopted by the Kalmar Town Board on this 20th day of April, 2026.

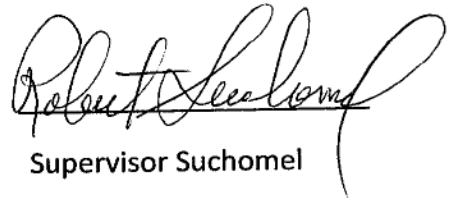
Signatures



Supervisor Pohlman



Supervisor Hanson



Supervisor Suchomel