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Dairyland Power Cooperative (Dairyland) and Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy (Xcel Energy) (together, the Applicants) are in the process of jointly developing a new 765 kilovolt (kV) high voltage transmission line, referred to as the Gopher to Badger Link Project (Project). This Project is part of a portfolio of projects that will create a 765 kV path connecting Minnesota with South Dakota, Iowa, and Wisconsin. Please find attached a letter and overview map providing additional information about the Project.

At this stage in Project development, the Applicants wanted to make you aware of the Project and to gather any information that you might have that will help them identify potential route options or routing constraints. If you have information that the Applicants should consider in evaluating and developing potential routes for the Project or would like to request a meeting, please contact them using the information provided in the attached letter.

On behalf of Dairyland and Xcel Energy,

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