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Project Name: Xcel Energy Hiawatha 115 kV Transmission Line Project

Docket number: E002/TL-09-38

User Name: Megan Holm

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Impact: Coal and nuclear are not sustainable power sources, and neither is centralized production connected by unhealthy high tension lines. These lines along the midtown greenway are dangerous and squelch the potential positive development and smart growth for the area.

Mitigation: The Lake Street businesses and area hospitals may need more power, but we should all be doing our part to reduce use, and Xcel should be more aggressively educating the public about how to reduce use. We would all be served better, now and in our near future, if Xcel assisted Lake St. businesses and Abbott-Northwestern hospital to PRODUCE clean power, not simply consume it.

I agree with the Midtown Greenway Coalition who promotes forgoing the project altogether through aggressive conservation, site-based electricity generation such as with solar panels and combined heat and power plants, and grid updates such as smart grid.

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