



STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DATE: February 11, 2011

TO: Persons on Project List

DOCKET: E-002/CN-09-1390

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SUBJECT: In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy and the City of Glencoe for a Certificate of Need for 115kV Transmission Line Upgrades to the Glencoe-Waconia 69 kV System

RE: **NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS**

**Take Note** that on November 30, 2010, Xcel Energy and the City of Glencoe (Applicants) filed a Certificate of Need application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for the 115kV Transmission Line Upgrades to the Glencoe-Waconia 69 kV System, near the cities of Glencoe, Waconia, and Young America in McLeod and Carver Counties.

The proposed project is classified as a "large energy facility" as defined in Minn. Stat. §216B.2421, Subd. 2(3) because it is a high voltage transmission line with a capacity of 100 kV or more with more than ten miles of its length in Minnesota. Under Minn. Stat. § 216B.243 Subd. 2, no large energy facility can be sited or constructed in Minnesota without the issuance of a certificate of need.

The Commission will accept written comments on the merits of the proposed project, particularly whether there are any contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the Application. Initial comments will be accepted through **Monday, March 14, 2011**, and replies through **Monday, April 4, 2011**. Comments should be addressed to Burl Haar, Executive Secretary, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147.

Information on this project can be found at the Commission's website: [www.state.mn.us](http://www.state.mn.us) (select "Search eDockets" and enter Docket # "09-1390"). Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Commission staff person Michael Kaluzniak, at (651) 201-2257 or e-mail at [mike.kaluzniak@state.mn.us](mailto:mike.kaluzniak@state.mn.us).

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**Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS**

Docket Number **E-002/CN-09-1390**

Dated this **11th** day of **February, 2011**

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