

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy, Northern States Power Company (d/b/a Xcel Energy) and others for Certificates of Need for the Cap X 345-kV Transmission Projects.

**NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF  
DEADLINE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Revised Amended Scheduling Order dated May 22, 2008, set the deadline for submission of public comments for the close of business on August 22, 2008. The deadline was premised upon the completion of the evidentiary hearing on or before August 15, 2008. In order to complete cross-examination of all of the witnesses to the proceeding, the hearing has been extended, and is anticipated to conclude by September 19, 2008.

In light of the extension of the evidentiary hearing, and the possibility that some members of the public may wish to submit comments after the close of the evidentiary hearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The deadline for public comments shall be extended to **4:30 p.m. on September 26, 2008**. Notice of this extension shall be posted on the websites of the Applicants, the Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security, the Public Utilities Commission and the Office of Administrative Hearings, and persons designated by the parties and state agencies to respond to questions concerning the Application shall be notified of the extension. Comments may be filed by U.S. Mail, fax or e-mail to [capx.oah@state.mn.us](mailto:capx.oah@state.mn.us).

Dated: July 30, 2008

s/Beverly Jones Heydinger

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BEVERLY JONES HEYDINGER  
Administrative Law Judge