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Steven M. Kahl, Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building, Dept. 0408
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Via U.S. and Electronic Mail

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S RESOURCE PLANS AND
CYBER SECURITY RULEMAKING
CASE NO. PU-22-163

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules regarding Resource Plans and Cyber Security. We appreciate the willingness of Commission Staff to engage the electric utilities in North Dakota and solicit our feedback during the development of the proposed rules. We support the proposed rules as written and look forward to further engagement with Commission Staff during the resource planning process.

Xcel Energy plans and operates an integrated Upper Midwest system that serves customers in five states. While we believe the integrated system provides benefits to our customers across the states we serve, we have procured certain resources that have not been approved in all jurisdictions. We are hopeful that a North Dakota resource planning process will not only provide this Commission with information about our future plans, but also provide a forum to better identify and address the Commission's concerns in advance of resource acquisition decisions.

Our resource plans provide a critical guide to achieving Company goals, procuring resources, and meeting our customers' needs safely and reliably. We believe the proposed rules will allow direction from the Commission to be better incorporated in our resource decisions.

Please contact me at (612) 330-7974 or via email at christopher.j.shaw@xcelenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

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