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October 19, 2020

Mr. Will Seuffert  
Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350  
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

—Via Electronic Filing—

Re: COMPLIANCE FILING  
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLAZING STAR WIND FARM 2, LLC  
FOR A ROUTE PERMIT FOR THE 115 kV TRANSMISSION LINE IN LINCOLN  
COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
Docket No. IP-6985/TL-17-701

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) this Compliance Filing related to the Commission Order Approving Transfer of Site Permit and Route Permit dated July 8, 2019 in the matter referenced above. Specifically, Section 9.3, which states:

*9.3 - Notification to Commission. At least three days before the line is to be placed into service, the Permittee shall notify the Commission of the date on which the line will be placed into service and the date on which construction was complete.*

Construction of the project was completed on October 1, 2020, and while the line will not be officially “placed into service” for the wind farm until December 2020, the first two turbines on the first circuit will produce test energy starting the week of October 19, 2020. Pursuant to Route Permit Condition 9.4, within 90 days of completion of construction, Xcel Energy will submit to the Commission all final as-built plans and specifications associated with the project.

If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (612) 330-6954 or [Matthew.A.Langan@xcelenergy.com](mailto:Matthew.A.Langan@xcelenergy.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Langan', written over a white background.

MATTHEW A. LANGAN  
PRINCIPAL AGENT, XCEL ENERGY

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lynnette Sweet, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the foregoing document on the attached list of persons.

xx by depositing a true and correct copy thereof, properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States mail at Minneapolis, Minnesota

xx electronic filing

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Dated this 19th day of October 2020

/s/

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Lynnette Sweet  
Regulatory Administrator

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