

INDICATION OF INTEREST

Response required: Letter of interest for participation as a subscriber in a proposed Xcel Energy renewable program in St. Paul's Ryan Companies' Highland Bridge site.

POTENTIAL SUBSCRIBER ("Potential Bridge Subscriber") provides an interest in this program by signing this Letter of Interest ("Interest Letter") to Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota company d/b/a (Xcel Energy) for the purpose of helping Xcel Energy gauge its retail customers' interest in participating as a Bridge Subscriber in a retail product using combined Hydro and Solar resources near Highland Bridge in St. Paul, Minnesota ("Proposed Program"). As part of its due diligence in researching the feasibility of developing and submitting its Proposed Program for approval by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Xcel Energy desires to determine at a high level if there is sufficient interest in the Proposed Program and, if so, the level of energy a Potential Bridge Subscriber would be interested in subscribing to in this Proposed Program.

This Interest Letter provides no binding obligations on the part of neither the Potential Subscriber nor Xcel Energy.

Background

Xcel Energy desires to propose a new retail program offering with combined hydro and solar resources near Highland Bridge in St. Paul, Minnesota. It is understood that several key elements of this Proposed Program are still undetermined, such as pricing, structure, and terms and conditions for participation. However, the general concept being considered is that the Proposed Program would primarily provide renewable energy from hydro and solar resources located in or near the Highland Bridge neighborhood to residents and businesses located on the Highland Bridge site. In addition, the Proposed Program would offer to others located outside of the Highland Bridge site the ability to be a "Bridge Subscriber." In concept, a Bridge Subscriber under the Proposed Program would subscribe to the Proposed Program for up to a ten-year term and receive renewable energy pursuant to the Proposed Program. The amount of energy the Bridge Subscriber receives from the Proposed Program would be subject to modification on a six- to twelve-month basis. The modifications to the amount of energy a Bridge Subscriber receives would be calculated after determining the renewable energy needs of those residents and businesses who are located at the Highland Bridge site. As such, over time the amount of energy available to Bridge Subscribers as part of the Proposed Program would decline.

It is understood that a Potential Bridge Subscriber who signs and forwards to Xcel Energy this Interest Letter on or before _____ might be given priority in terms of becoming a Bridge Subscriber if there is greater demand for becoming a Bridge Subscriber under this Proposed Program than available energy for Bridge Subscribers would otherwise allow.

Based upon the foregoing, and

1. subject to all of the disclaimers and limitation set forth above, the Potential Bridge Subscriber has a general interest in becoming a Bridge Subscriber in the Proposed Program and receiving an initial allocation of renewable energy from the Proposed Program in the approximate amount of 7.8 MWh/year.
2. If circumstances relating to this Interest Letter materially change, the Potential Bridge Subscriber or Xcel Energy may notify each other of these changed circumstances.
3. Any notice or communication required or permitted under this Letter shall be sufficiently given if delivered to the address listed below.

Potential Bridge Subscriber

Company name _____ Date submitted _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Customer contact name _____ Phone _____
Customer contact email _____ Fax _____

Electronic Signature

Customer signature _____ Date _____

Please return your indication of interest to:

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