XCEL'S SHRINKING DEMAND CAPX 2020 ISN'T NEEDED!

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Xcel claims in handouts at the June 16th, 2009 Plainview RUS public meeting that:

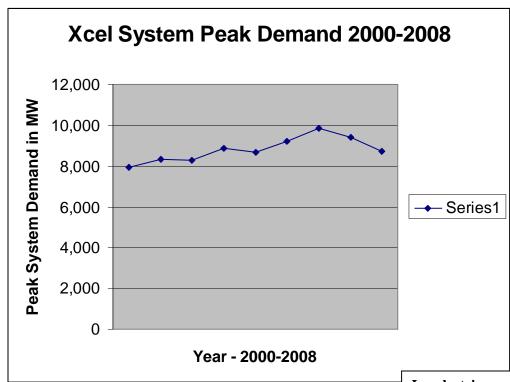
Electricity usage continues to climb

Why does the electric transmission grid need to be expanded? The simple answer: Because we're using more electricity than we did just a few years ago – and it's expected to grow another 40 percent by 2030.

But look at Xcel's SEC 10Ks for 2008¹, 2006² and 2002³ for electric demand:

System Peak Demand (in MW)

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
7,936	8,344	8,259	8,868	8,665	9,212	9,859	9,427	8,697



This chart says it all!

Where is demand headed?

This is not a "short term blip" due to the economic depression, it began in 2006, and we don't even have 2009!

This does not include the 1.5% mandate to conserve!

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² Xcel 2005 SEC 10-K: http://www.secinfo.com/d11MXs.vbn4.htm

³ Xcel 2002 SEC 10-K: http://www.secinfo.com/dsvrp.24u6.htm#_008