

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

In the matter of the Application of Great  
River Energy, Northern States Power  
06-1115  
Company (dba Xcel Energy) and others  
for Certificates of Need For the CAP-X 2020  
345 kV Transmission Project

PUC Docket No. E-002/CN-

OAH Docket No. 15-2500-19350-2

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF CITIZENS ENERGY TASK FORCE

Pursuant to Minn. R. 1400.6200, Citizens Energy Task Force hereby petitions to  
intervene with full party status in the above-captioned proceeding.

Identity of Petitioner

Citizens Energy Task Force is a public interest group of citizens who live and  
own property in Dakota County.

Outcome of Proceeding Directly Affects Petitioner's Interests

It is more likely than not that at least one of the proposed high voltage  
transmission lines ("HVTL") will cross property owned by one or more members of  
Citizens Energy Task Force.

A second principal concern of Citizens Energy Task Force is the continued  
development of sustainable energy within the State of Minnesota, and the effect that these  
HVTLs will have on that continued development. The Citizens Energy Task Force  
believes that part of the rationale for the construction of these HVTLs is being presented  
as an intention to foster the development of sustainable wind energy, but that Petitioners  
are positioning themselves to be able to increase their supply of conventionally generated  
energy from coal-fired plants. The Citizens Energy Task Force believes this is not in the  
best interests of the citizens of Minnesota.

For the foregoing reasons, Citizens Energy Task Force respectfully requests  
permission to intervene as a party in this matter.

Dated: April 10, 2008

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