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To: Patty Van Gerpen, Executive Secretary

Patty, please file the following request in the captioned docket.

Xcel has had unanticipated problems with route approvals from SD and MN DOT, which I believe are known to Commission Staff. This matter was filed on August 26, 2005, and we are coming close to the one year deadline in SDCL 49-41B-24. Xcel still believes the route issues can be resolved (and understands a change of route would require a new filing). Therefore, Xcel waives Commission compliance with the deadline in SDCL 49-41B-24 and requests that the Commission extend the time for resolution of the docket for a reasonable period of time to permit resolution of the routing issues presently being dealt with by Xcel.

I had originally sent this request to General Counsel John Smith and he directed me to the Commission's new e-filing link, as the appropriate address for such filings.

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