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Xcel Energy

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Response To: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Data Request No. 2-2

Requestor: Karen Cremer

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Question:

If 2016 is the first year that Xcel believes MISO will begin utilizing load modifying resources more frequently, please explain why customers do not have the ability to change their PDL or rate code by summer 2016 with the required six months' notice to avoid cancellation charges.

Response:

The Company's request is to begin the waiver in July and end December 31, 2015. Our preference is to have customers take action prior to year end. This timing aligns with the Company's resource registration with MISO which is initiated in October and finalized by February 2016. MISO will depend upon this registration period to determine expected control availability for the summer of 2016. Although customers will retain the option to avoid a cancellation charge by providing a six month notice, one purpose of the waiver is to provide the most accurate values possible for the next registration period.

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