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Xcel Energy Data Request No. 2-1  
Docket No.: EL23-032  
Response To: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff  
Requestor: Joseph Rezac  
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Question:

What is the native load? Is this term defined anywhere?

Response:

Native Load is defined as “The end-use customers that the Load-Serving Entity is obligated to serve.”<sup>1</sup> The term is used to convey that the switches for the Saver’s Switch program will be operated in a way that benefits Xcel Energy customers.

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<sup>1</sup> [Glossary - U.S. Energy Information Administration \(EIA\)](#)