

From: PUC
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2026 1:31 PM
To: 'Melissa Zemlicka' [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: [EXT] Letter to PUC docket #EL26-026

Ms. Nelson:

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission received your comments regarding docket [EL26-026](#) - In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Company for an Energy Facility Permit to Construct the PowerOn Midwest Project Consisting of a 765-kV Transmission Line, a 345-kV Transmission Line, and Associated Facilities. This application was filed with the SDPUC on Sept. 4, 2026.

You may be interested in attending one of the SDPUC's upcoming public input meetings for the PowerOn application:

- Tuesday, October 20, 2026; 6:00 p.m. CT – Brookings Inn, 2500 E. Sixth St., Brookings, South Dakota
- Wednesday, October 21, 2026; 12:00 p.m. CT – Milbank School Theater, 1001 E. Park Ave., Milbank, South Dakota
- Thursday, October 22, 2026; 5:30 p.m. CT – Clear Lake Community Center, 218 Third Ave. S., Clear Lake, South Dakota

For your reference, the PUC's [Energy Conversion & Electric Transmission Facilities Siting Guide](#), available on our website and accessible through the online docket, provides a helpful overview of the permitting process.

Your comments and this response will be posted in the online docket where they can be reviewed by commissioners, staff, docket parties and the public.

Chris Nelson, Chairman
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission