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December 16, 2024

Rachid Rabbaa
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RE: Coyote Underground Transmission Line Project Site Plan – Second Submission
Review – Responses to Comments

Application Number: **DA-2388-00**

Case Numbers: 2024-6031-00; 2024-6031-01

Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado corporation conducting business as Xcel Energy (Xcel Energy), is proposing the Coyote Underground Transmission Line Project within the City of Aurora (Aurora). This letter includes Xcel Energy's responses to Comment Letter 2388-00rev2 and Redlines to the Site Plan issued by City of Aurora Planning Division on October 24, 2024. This letter also contains relevant copies of email communication between commenters and the applicant engineer regarding the comment resolution.

Please contact me by telephone at (303) 285-6533 or email at Jennifer.L.Chester@XcelEnergy.com, or contact our environmental consultant, Tetra Tech Inc., or Stephanie Wiedmeyer at (303) 980-3662 or Stephanie.Wiedmeyer@TetraTech.com if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

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Siting & Land Rights, Manager
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PLANNING DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

1. Outside Agency Comments

Comment 1A: No comments were received from outside registered neighborhood organizations.

Response: Comment noted.

2. Completeness and Clarity of the Application

Comment 2A: No comments.

Response: Comment noted.

REFERRAL COMMENTS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

3. Civil Engineering (Julie Bingham / 303-739-7403 / jbingham@auroragov.org / Comments in green)

Comment 3A: Repeat comments asking for relative location of ROW to be shown on the plan views for the cross-section sheets.

Response: Relative location of the ROW has been added to plan view of the cross-section sheets of the Site Plan.

Comment 3B: The location of the future ROW doesn't match the relative distance shown on the cross section.

Response: The distance has been corrected in Site Plan

Comment 3C: Show, dimension, and label the future ROW on the plan view, typical.

Response: The future ROW has been added, labeled and dimensioned on the typical plan view.

4. Traffic Engineering (Jason Igo / 303-739-1792 / JIgo@auroragov.org / Comments in amber) Site Plan

Comment 4A: This looks to be right under the curb and gutter of the future roadway. It needs to be further north. This could have a right turn lane right where the transmission line is.

Response: The transmission alignment was shifted north and will be installed under the future sidewalk.

Comment 4B: Some of the lines look to be under the future roadway.

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Response: The transmission alignment was shifted north and will be installed under the future sidewalk per email communications with comment, attached to this document (Attachment 1).

Comment 4C: Please see other comments on the Site Plan.

Response: The transmission alignment was updated to reduce the amount of duct bank installed under the future roadway near the Powhaton and 6th Avenue intersection.

5. Fire / Life Safety (Richard Tenorio / 303-739-7628 / rtenorio@auroragov.org / Comments in blue)

Comment 5A: No Comments

Response: Comment noted.

6. Aurora Water (Ashley Duncan / 720-859-4319 / aduncan@auroragov.org / Comments in red) (See attached email correspondence with Ashley Duncan)

Site Plan

Comment 6A: There are some advisory comments where the clearance from an Aurora Water line only needs to be 2' instead of 5' so the line wouldn't have to go as deep as proposed. The 5' clearance will still satisfy our requirements if no changes are made.

Response: The clearance has been corrected to 2'.

Comment 6B: This comment was missed on the first review, but these two water lines need 2' vertical clearance.

Response: The vertical clearance has been corrected to 2'.

Comment 6C: Advisory note: Only 2' clearance is needed for a 12" line.

Response: The clearance has been corrected to 2'.

Comment 6D: Advisory note: Only 2' clearance is needed for any size storm line.

Response: The clearance has been corrected to 2'.

7. Land Development Services (Roger Nelson / 720-587-2657 / ronelson@auroragov.org / Comments in magenta)

Comment 7A: No comments.

Response: Comment noted.

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8. PROS Department (Abigail Scheuermann / 303-739-7131 / ahscheue@auroragov.org / Comments in blue)

Comment 8A: No comments.

Response: Comment noted.

10. Land Development Services (Grace Gray / 303-739-7277 / ggray@auroragov.org / Comments in magenta)

Comment 10A: THERE ARE NO EASEMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT, JUST A LICENSE THAT IS NOT COMPLETED.

Response: Comment noted.

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Attachment: Email Correspondence with Commenters

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From: [Igo, Jason](#)
To: "Rojas, Sara"
Cc: [Stephanie Wiedmeyer](#); [Hoopii, Mehana M](#); [Caldwell, Aaron](#); [Bellew, Thomas](#); [Rabbaa, Rachid](#); [Miller, Kyle](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Traffic Engineering - App Number: DA-2388-00; Case Numbers: 2024-6031-00; 2024-6031-01
Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 3:51:20 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Good Afternoon,

I discussed this with the City engineer today. We will not allow the line to be under future curb and gutter. The best place if it needs to be under future infrastructure, it can be under the sidewalk. Anything on the outside of the sidewalk will work for Aurora.

Thank you,

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From: Rojas, Sara <Sara.R.Rojas@xcelenergy.com>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2024 3:57 PM
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Hi Jason,

Thank you for the update. Our team is working diligently to address all the comments received this week, as we have our commissioning planning hearing on Wednesday. Our target date to resubmit to the City is this Friday. Please let us know if you need any further information or assistance in the

meantime. We are more than happy to set up a meeting if necessary.

Best regards, Sara

Sara Rojas

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From: Igo, Jason <Jigo@auroragov.org>

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Good Afternoon Kyle,

I have been conversing with another colleague about this and talking to our supervisor. I was supposed to get some information from them today about it. I haven't gotten that information yet. I will hopefully have it tomorrow.

Thank you,

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Hi Jason,

Sorry to keep bugging you, but do you have any thoughts on the below? Let me know if you'd prefer to hop on a quick meeting to discuss any concerns.

Thanks,
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Hi Jason,

Happy Monday! I hope you had a great weekend.

I'm following up on Kyle's email about the duct bank alignment along 6th Avenue. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. I'm happy to set up a quick team meeting if needed. Looking forward to your feedback.

Thank you,
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Jason,

After reviewing the 2nd round of comments from the City, I noticed you had a few more comments regarding the duct bank alignment along 6th Avenue. You mention the duct bank may be under a future curb & gutter after 6th Avenue is expanded. Looking at the attached cross section of the 6th avenue expansion, we are proposing our duct bank to be 15-ft from the northern ROW line and approximately 40-ft north of the curb & gutter. Are there specific concerns you have with the duct bank installed in these locations (and potential right turn lane)? Would it help if we proposed a deeper duct bank installation in these areas?

Let me know if you have any further questions.

Thanks!

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