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Via email: to planning@auroragov.org

City of Aurora / Jeannine Rustad / Director of Planning
City of Aurora / Jason Batchelor / City Manager
15151 E Alameda Pkwy
Aurora, CO, 80012

Re: Public Service Company of Colorado – Request for Consultation Meeting under C.R.S. 29-20-108 with City of Aurora (“City of Aurora”) and Pre-Application Meeting Submittals for Physical Security Upgrades at the Chambers substation.

Dear Jeannine Rustad:

I write on behalf of Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado corporation conducting business as Xcel Energy (“Xcel Energy”), pursuant to C.R.S. 29-20-108 (the “Statute”). That Statute addresses the location, construction, or improvement of major facilities of a public utility and provides timelines for the City of Aurora’s review of Xcel Energy’s application(s) for permits for the Projects.

As the City of Aurora is aware, Xcel Energy intends to permit and construct physical security improvements at the following existing major electrical facility within the City of Aurora’s jurisdiction: Chambers Substation, 15090 E Moncrief Pl, (the “Facility”). Xcel Energy has determined the planned physical security upgrades are necessary under its grid security and reliability program, which was developed in accordance with applicable federal regulations. The proposed improvements include installation of a 10’ tall metal mesh fence and gates in the same location as the existing fence/gates, installation of two camera towers near the fence, addition of cameras on both the exterior and interior of the Electrical Equipment Enclosure, stabilization of an existing slope, and installation of standard “No Trespassing” signage.

Pursuant to the Statute and via emails exchanged over several months, Xcel Energy representatives consulted with City of Aurora Planning and Development Staff to identify the specific improvements under consideration and resolve any land use issues that may arise from the contemplated land use permit application. Through this consultation process, it was determined by the City of Aurora that Xcel Energy needed to permit the security upgrades as a minor amendment to the Facility’s site plan pursuant to Section 146-5.3.15.A of the Unified Development Ordinance. Xcel Energy submitted the application for the minor amendment on September 24, 2024. In response, the City of Aurora required submission of additional information to deem the application complete. The required additional information was submitted on September 25, 2024, and the application was subsequently accepted by the Planning and Development Department as complete.

Xcel Energy is providing this letter to confirm that, in accordance with Subsection 29-20-108(2) of the Statute, the City of Aurora must act on the application within ninety (90) days of the submission of the additional information, which is no later than **Tuesday, December 24, 2024.**



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Xcel Energy looks forward to working cooperatively with City of Aurora during the Consultation and application process for these very important security upgrades to the Facility. If you have any questions regarding the application or this letter, feel free to reach out to me at Lisa.Foster@xcelenergy.com

Sincerely,

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Xcel Energy Services, Inc.