

Xcel Energy TOU Pilot Stakeholder Engagement Kickoff

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Xcel Rate Design Pilot:

3 Forums + 2 Intensive Rounds of Stakeholder Input

- **May**

- e21 Stakeholder Forum on **May 5th**
 - Presentations from Xcel Energy and their internal and external experts
 - Facilitated stakeholder discussions
- Convene small group of stakeholders for 3 meetings in May
 - Deeper dive on specific topic areas
 - Facilitated stakeholder discussion, together with Xcel Energy experts

- **July**

- e21 Stakeholder Forum on **July 14th**
 - Customer-focused theme and speakers
 - Present on stakeholder input collected in May

- **September**

- e21 Stakeholder Forum on **September 8**
 - Hear from Xcel Energy about updated pilot design, responding to stakeholder and customer input
 - Facilitated stakeholder discussion
- Reconvene core stakeholder group for further discussions on pilot design



Invited Stakeholders for Small Group Discussions

- **Sara Baldwin Auck**, Interstate Renewable Energy Council
- **Ryan Barlow/Ron Nelson**, Office of the MN Attorney General
- **Sara Bergan**, Stoel Rives
- **Lon Huber**, Strategen Consulting
- **Hudson Kingston**, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
- **Annie Levenson-Falk**, Citizens Utility Board of MN
- **Pam Marshall**, Energy CENTS Coalition
- **Will Nissen**, Fresh Energy
- **Susan Peirce**, MN Department of Commerce
- **Cam Winton**, MN Chamber of Commerce



Today's Agenda

- 1:00 – 1:30 pm** **Welcome, introductions, and meeting overview**
- 1:30 – 2:15 pm** **Presentation on national best practices in rate design**
- 2:15 – 3:15 pm** **Presentation on Xcel Energy's alternative rate design pilot in Minnesota and similar pilot in Colorado**
- 3:15 – 4:00 pm** **Panel of intervenors in Xcel alternative rate design docket**
- 4:00 – 4:45 pm** **Facilitated discussion of rate design pilot**
- 4:45 – 5:00 pm** **Next steps for stakeholder engagement process**



Example Topics for Stakeholder Discussion

- Impacts on low income and special medical need customers
- Combine TOU with other rates (CPP or PTR) or stand-alone?
- Compare use of AMI vs AMR?
- Test multiple TOU offerings?
- Duration of Peak period
- Differential between Peak/Off-Peak rates
- Number of periods
- Number and customer type of participants
- Pilot Period
- Alignment with MN PUC Draft Rate Design Principles



MN PUC DRAFT Rate Design Principles

1. Low income customers and those with special medical needs should have access to enough electricity to ensure basic needs at an affordable cost.
2. Rates should be based on marginal cost.
3. Rates should be equitable, generally based on cost-causation principles and avoiding cross-subsidies, unless it is necessary to meet explicit state policy goals.
4. Rates should encourage conservation and energy efficiency.
5. Rates should reduce coincident system peak demand.
6. Rates should be stable, understandable, and provide customer choices.
7. Rates should encourage economically efficient decision-making.
8. Rates should be aligned with wholesale market prices that reflect the varying price of electricity throughout the day and year.
9. Rates should allow a utility to recover its revenue requirement in a manner that maintains utility revenue stability, and minimizes year-to-year under- or overcollections.



Process for Gathering Input

1. We will record high-level feedback, comments, and questions from today
2. We will draft summaries of meetings, and will send those out to attendees for clarifications
3. A final draft will be sent to all attendees to flag any MAJOR remaining discrepancies
4. Summaries of May and Sept meetings will be provided to Xcel Energy and filed in the Alt Rate Design docket (Docket. No. 15-662)

