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Division of Corporation Finance  
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Division of Corporation Finance:

This is to certify that on October 7, 2025, The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from Xcel Energy Inc. (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

6.25% Junior Subordinated Notes due 2085

We further certify that the security described above has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration upon official notice of issuance.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking effectiveness under the Form 8-A 12(b), and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

