

**BOULDER'S SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL VERIFIED APPLICATION FOR
TRANSFER OF ASSETS**

Public Utilities Commission Proceeding No. 15A-0589E

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SUMMARY

Transfer of Assets

- Designed to maintain safety, reliability and service quality for both Xcel and Boulder Light & Power customers
- Facilities proposed for transfer, whether inside or outside City limits, do not include those Xcel will need to serve its customers once the two systems are separated
- Includes:
 - Overhead and underground distribution lines.
 - Distribution transformers
 - Fiber optics/communication equipment
 - Electric meters
 - Streetlights

Separation Plan

- City will serve all customers within the City using City-owned facilities.
- Xcel will serve customers outside City using Xcel-owned facilities.
- Electric distribution poles will be shared. Visual impact will be limited.
- City will underground lines in areas that currently have underground lines.
- Space within substations will be shared.

Transition Period Agreement

- City is developing a plan to make the transition from Xcel to Boulder as seamless and transparent to the customer as possible.
- City has asked PUC to approve key principles of an agreement that will control the transition.
 - City to lease back to Xcel facilities used to serve customers at no cost to Xcel
 - Xcel to operate system during transition period for a fee
 - City to provide customer interface for in-city customers: billing, outage reporting, etc.
 - Agreed-upon contractor to perform separation construction, as well as construction for new customers, other capital improvements
 - Minor modifications to plan to be agreed upon by City and Xcel
 - Mediation/PUC resolution of any disputes

Power Supply

- City to purchase power from Xcel until that power is needed by other Xcel customers
- Requesting order from the PUC that approves that plan, declares that Xcel can sell Boulder's released power to other customers at its regular retail rate
- If Boulder's released power is used by other Xcel customers, this could reduce Xcel's need to build new generation facilities or purchase power, potentially benefitting Xcel's non-Boulder customers.