

XCEL ENERGY
RECOMMISSIONING CALCULATOR TOOL
LICENSE

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WHEREAS, Licensor owns a certain recommissioning estimation tool (the "RTool") which calculates energy savings for Xcel Energy participating utility customers using certain confidential customer account information ("Customer Information"); and

WHEREAS, Licensee wishes to use the RTool in conjunction with its services to help Xcel Energy's participating utility customers obtain estimates regarding changes in their equipment, building, and corresponding impact on their utility consumption (the "Advisory Services"); and

WHEREAS, Licensee acknowledges that subsequent disclosure and/or loss of control over the RTool and/or Customer Information would cause irreparable harm to Licensor; and

WHEREAS, Licensee acknowledges the RTool is private intellectual property license not subject to subsequent disclosure pursuant to requests under public record inquiry provisions, and is not available in the public domain; and

WHEREAS, Licensor will distribute the RTool and passwords to it by encrypted e-mail only to Licensee or to Licensee's authorized employee users listed on Exhibit A (attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, Licensee represents and warrants that it has appropriate security procedures in place so that the RTool will only be used by Licensee and its authorized employee users in conjunction with its Advisory Services to customers within Xcel Energy's service territory; and

WHEREAS, Licensee agrees to notify Licensor when any Licensee employee with access to the RTool leaves Licensee's employment, so that Licensor may cancel that employee's password and access to the RTool; and

WHEREAS, Licensee may provide printouts of the results of certain inputs in the RTool to Licensee's employees and Xcel Energy's customers but shall not allow access to the RTool by any third parties for any purpose absent specific written consent by Licensor;

NOW THEREFORE, the Licensee agrees as follows:

1. **NOTICE**. Any notice or request made to or by any Party regarding this Agreement shall be made in writing to the representative of the other Party as set forth in Exhibit B (attached hereto).

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EXHIBIT A

LICENSEE'S AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEE USERS

<u>Authorized Employee User Name (Last name, First Name):</u>	<u>Authorized Employee User E-mail</u>

EXHIBIT B

NOTICES

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Any Party may change the information for their representative set forth in this Exhibit B at any time by written notice to the other Party.