

Renewable Energy and Carbon Goals: The Utility Connection

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- Bold, New Vision
- Customer Options
- Electric Vehicles
- Community Partnership
- Utility Perspective

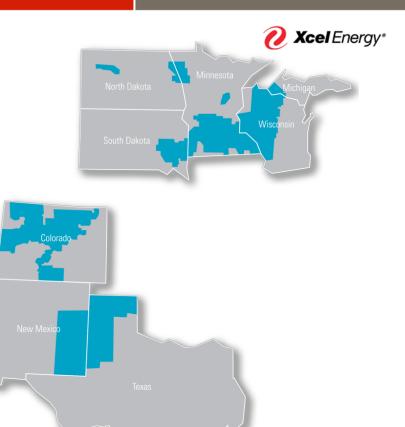
Xcel Energy

Serving eight states

- 3.6 million electricity customers
- 2 million natural gas customers

Nationally recognized leader:

- Wind energy
- Energy efficiency
- Carbon emissions reductions
- Innovative technology
- Storm restoration efforts
- Veteran hiring



Wisconsin Commitment

- Communities served: 213
- Electric customers: 250,000
- Natural gas customers: 109,000
- Electric Reliability: 99.9%
- Employees & contractors: 1,000+
- Volunteer hours: 1,100+ annually
- Community giving: \$1 million annually
- Annual spending in Wisconsin:
 \$229 million with local suppliers
- Renewable energy provider in state: **#1**





Xcel Energy Priorities



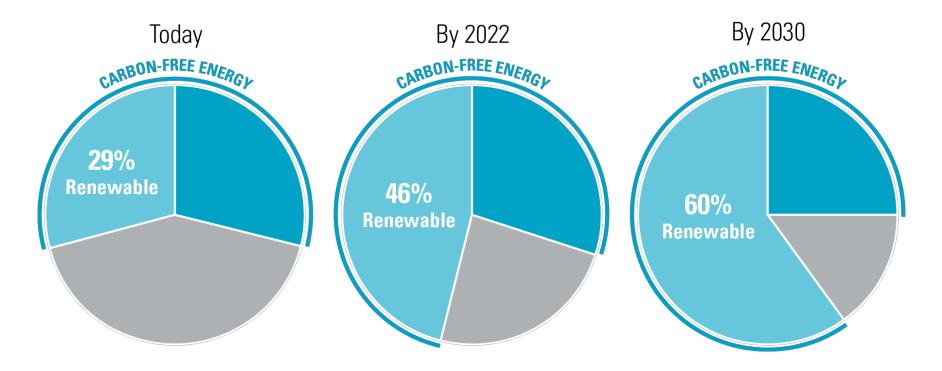
Lead the Clean Energy Transition

Enhance the Customer Experience

Keep Bills Low

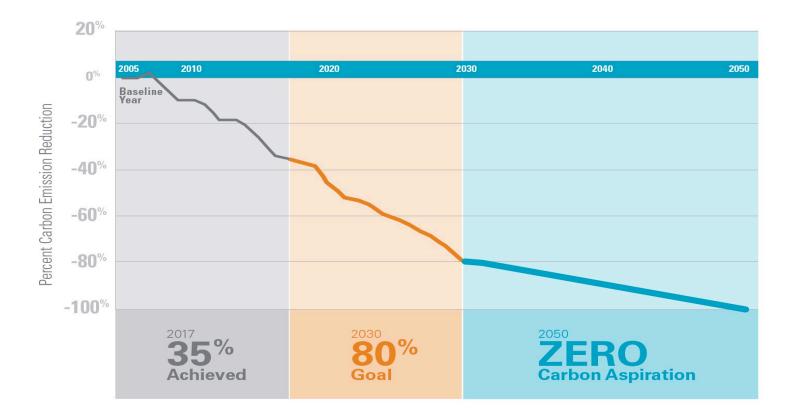


Xcel Energy's Clean Energy Plans





Bold, New Vision for 2030 and 2050



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Solar*Connect Community

- Three 1,000-kW (1-MW) gardens
 - Eau Claire: Energized 2017
 - Cashton: Expected Jan 2019
 - Ashland: Expected June 2019
- Initial Cost: \$1,600 per kilowatt
- Bill credits for 25 years
- Almost 100% subscribed!



Eau Claire Solar*Connect Community

Renewable*Connect

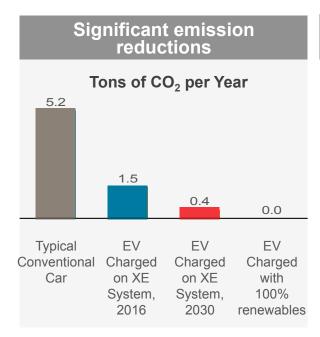
- New program option in Wisconsin
 - PSCW approval December 2018
 - Available early 2019
- Dedicated wind and solar resources
- Customer control
 - Convenient way to meet sustainability goals
 - Choose amount of energy and subscription length
- Plan to build a new solar facility in Wisconsin to serve this program in future







Transportation Electrification



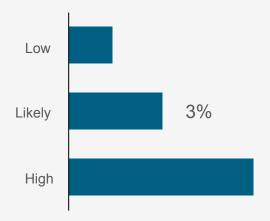
Source: Xcel Energy Analysis

Creating awareness of electrification

- Trusted information and advisors
- Cost of charging infrastructure
- Providing access to charging
- Analytics on fleet alternatives
- Evaluating rate options to charge when energy costs are lowest

Lower rates through increased sales

Share of Load by 2030 by EV Adoption Scenario





Electric Vehicle Support

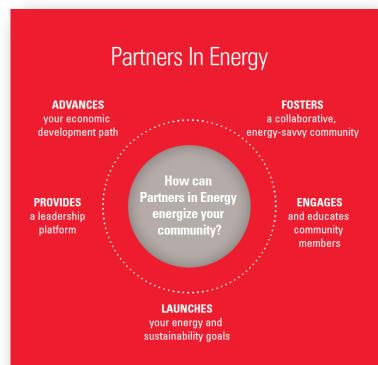
- Fleet Advisory Services
 - Xcel Energy grant to communities
 - Make informed choices about electrifying fleets
 - Several communities participating
- Ride & Drive Events
- Rate Options
 - Education on time-of-day rate for EV charging
 - Evaluating future rate & infrastructure options





Eau Claire: 2019 Partners in Energy

- Collaborate with communities to develop and implement <u>their</u> energy plan goals
 - Planning phase
 - Implementation phase
 - Assistance with energy data
 - Incorporate with existing programs for even greater savings
- Award winning in Minnesota and Colorado
- City of Eau Claire first in Wisconsin
 - Grant from state Office of Energy Innovation





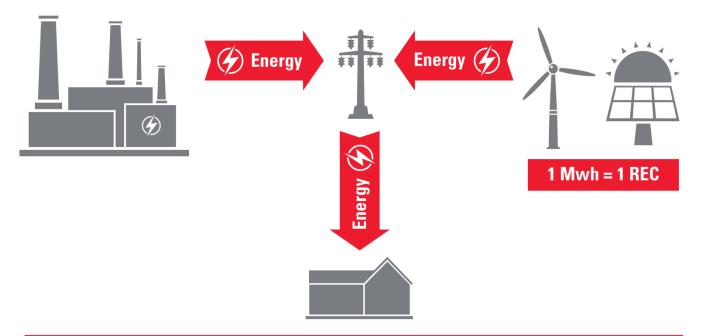
Renewable Energy Goal Considerations

- CO₂ accounting: as utility systems get cleaner, customers can automatically take credit
- REC accounting: more complex
 - Used for RPS compliance and voluntary green pricing programs
 - Customers using solar want to take credit but sometimes don't hold RECs
 - Xcel Energy plans to allow grid RE as starting point through new initiative

Region	2016		2017	
	CO₂ Intensity (mt/MWh)	CO ₂ Intensity Ibs/MWh	CO₂ Intensity (mt/MWh)	CO₂ Intensity Ibs/MWh
Upper Midwest (Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin)	0.371	817	0.372	820
Colorado	0.609	1,343	0.593	1,308
Southwest (Texas, New Mexico)	0.584	1,287	0.586	1,293



Renewable Energy Certificates (REC's)



A REC serves as "proof" that 1 Mwh of renewable energy was generated and can be purchased separate from electrical service.



Deep Decarbonization Pathways

- 100% Renewable Energy vs. 100% Carbon Neutral Goals
 - Large customers cities states the "big grid"
- Differences & challenges
- How to address other major emitting sectors
 - Transportation, buildings, industry, agriculture, etc.
 - Electrify everything?
 - Cost effectiveness is key



100% Renewable: At what scale?

- Your house \rightarrow Solar*Connect Community, Renewable*Connect, etc.
- A large corporate customer → Renewable*Connect, on-site solar, solar garden
- A city \rightarrow still feasible, especially if means City Government operations
- A state?
- The whole grid?

 \rightarrow The public cares about cost, seems to accept a gradual approach

100% renewable electric system challenges

- Renewable "overbuild" installed capacity 3-5x peak demand
- Declining capacity and fuel-saving value
- Need some dispatchable generation to address peaks, ramps, seasonal imbalances
- Days to weeks, not hours, of storage
- Curtailment and/or massive storage investment
- Transmission investment
- Very low utilization
- Land impacts





Bold, New Vision for 2030 and 2050

