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Re: Docket No. EP 724, United States Rail Service Issues

Dear Ms. Brown:

Xcel Energy hereby withdraws its request, dated April 4, 2014, to participate in tomorrow's oral hearing. Xcel Energy plans on submitting written comments for the record.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Craig Romer', written over a horizontal line.

H. Craig Romer
Director, Fuel Supply Operation
for Thomas A. Imbler
Vice President Commercial Operations