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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance Xcel Energy Pipeline Replacement Project

TO: Highland District Council

This is to inform you of a request for a variance from the sound level limitations as indicated in the St. Paul Noise Ordinance (Chapter 293 of the St. Paul Legislative Code). Property owned by you and located near the noise source may be affected by this variance request.

Rental property owners must provide a copy of this notice to all renters or post a copy in a common area of the building so it can be viewed by the occupants.

Description of Variance:

Location: West and East sides of Interstate 35 E on Eleanor Avenue

Noise Source: Xcel Energy, represented by Conrad A Miller, Senior Engineer has requested a sound level variance for construction and work using various pieces of equipment, including directional drilling equipment on the West and East sides of Interstate 35E to install a new 20 inch steel pipeline under Interstate 35E as part of a pipeline replacement project. Noise is expected to be from operation of drilling equipment and support vehicles. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) will be recommending the following conditions: 1. The variance will be for construction work on the West and East sides of Interstate 35E along Eleanor Avenue beginning Tuesday April 15, 2014 through Saturday, June 14, 2014. 2. Work periods will be restricted to Monday through Saturday, beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 10:00 p.m. No work will occur on Sundays. 3. The Contractors working on the project will use best practicable methods for controlling noise.

A public hearing before the City Council on this variance request will be held on:

Date: March 19, 2014

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: 3rd floor, City Hall Council Chambers

If you attend the public hearing, you will be given the opportunity to present verbal comments or objections before the City Council.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may within fifteen (15) days of the mailing date on this notice, written comments or objections may be filed with the: City of St. Paul, Department of Safety and Inspections, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806, attention Barb McMonigal-St. Dennis or by email to barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us. Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday March 18, 2014.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Barbara McMonigal-St. Dennis at (651) 266-9137.