

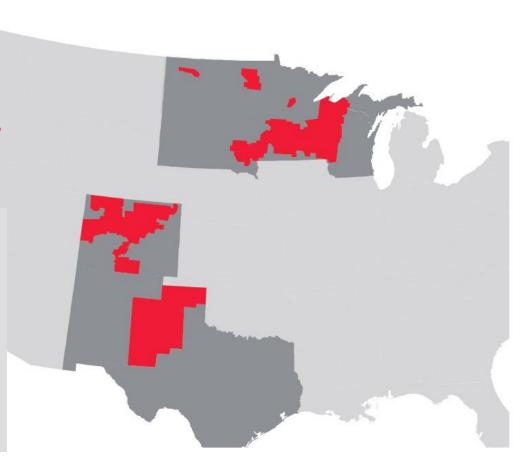
# **Xcel Energy**

### Serving eight states

- 3.6 million electricity customers
- 2 million natural gas customers

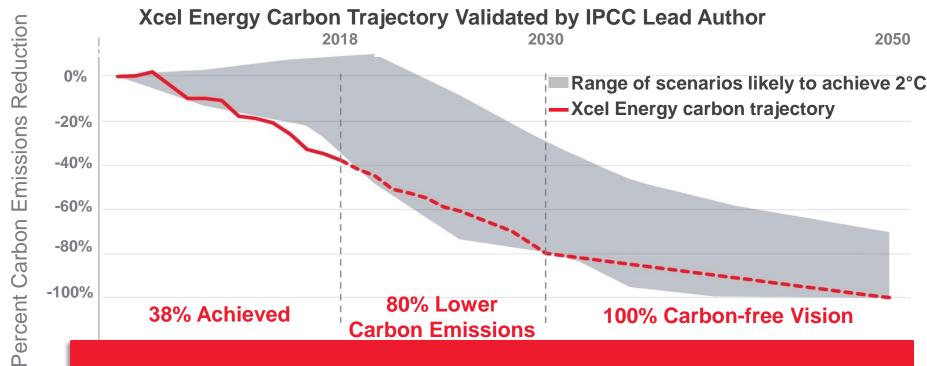
### Nationally recognized leader:

- Wind energy
- Energy efficiency
- Carbon emission reductions and reporting
- Innovative technology



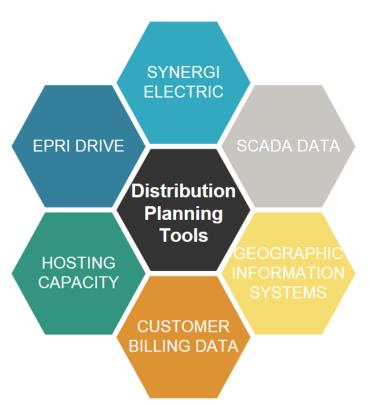
### **Leading the Clean Energy Transition**

A bold vision for a carbon-free future



Goals align with Paris agreement temperature targets

# **Current State of Distribution Planning**



### **Renewable Choices**



Renewable\*Connect



Windsource®



Solar\*Rewards



Solar\*Connect Community

Solar\*Rewards Community

### **Distribution Planning Evolution**

#### **Enhanced Tools**

Planning tools are evolving to integrate real-time DER output to reveal load hidden by the DER.

#### **Bi-Directional Power Flow**

Planners study the distribution system to ensure equipment can handle reverse power from DERs.



#### **Granular Data**

SCADA and AMI data provides planning engineers with more insight into the distribution system

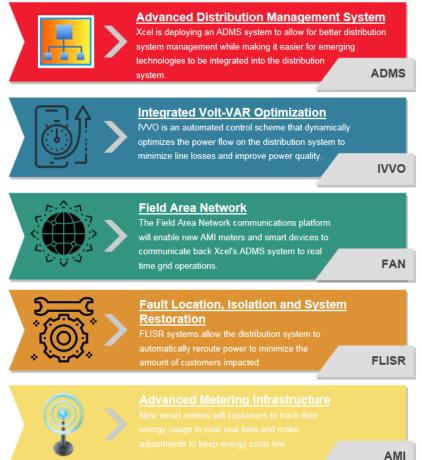
#### **Hosting Capacity**

Holistic study of the distribution system to identify optimal locations for DER interconnections

#### **Non-Wire Alternatives**

Planning Engineers consider NWAs when mitigating a distribution system constraint.

### Advanced Grid Intelligence and Security System



# Future State of Distribution Planning

- Integrated Distribution System Planning
  - Expand transparency
  - Provide for meaningful stakeholder input
  - Incorporating EV, DER, strategic electrification
- Continued grid modernization
  - Access to data
- DERMS, other nascent & emerging technologies

### **Demonstration Projects**

- Innovative Clean Technology Program
  - Panasonic and Stapleton Battery Projects
  - Charging Perks
- Residential Battery Demand Response
- DSM Geotargeting
- EV Charging
- DER Penetration Modeling

# **Community Resiliency Projects**

- Solar plus Storage Microgrids
- Community partner defines "critical infrastructure"
- Xcel Energy provides battery storage and back-up capabilities
- Solar and other generation provided by the site

#### **Benefits:**

- Improves resiliency
- Demonstrates use of grid assets on the distribution system
- Provides grid benefits
- Provides clean energy jobs

# **Xcel** Energy®