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August 23, 2024

Mr. Daniel Buchholtz City Administrator City of Spring Lake Park 1301 81st Avenue NE Spring Lake Park, MN 55432-2116

Re: 2024 Second Half Suburban Rate Authority Assessment

Dear Mr. Buchholtz:

Enclosed is the second half assessment for 2024 membership in the SRA. Please note that if the City has already paid its full 2024 assessment, we are still enclosing the notice confirming the \$0.00 owing for 2024, and the attached updates. The SRA member option to cover its full annual assessment with the first half assessment invoice is always available to avoid the administration of two installments rather than one.

The first half of 2024 has been busy and successful for the SRA. In November 2023, both CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Gas filed general rate cases. The Xcel Gas case has settled and the CenterPoint case is ramping up, with the first major SRA action, filing testimony, due in October.

The parties to the Xcel Gas case reached a settlement on June 26, 2024 and the only remaining step is for the PUC to consider approving the settlement. The SRA advocated for positions that resulted in prioritization of replacing aging infrastructure, increased gas system location services (e.g., Gopher State One Call), and supported overall positions that benefited residential customers. The SRA's advocacy resulted in more support for safety programs and better residential gas rates.

Looking forward, the SRA anticipates that Xcel Electric will file a general rate case later this fall. The SRA also will continue to monitor and engage in issues within the SRA's purview, including issues related to right-of-way management, modernizing utility systems, and other related issues.

We value your membership in the SRA. Membership assists suburban communities address important utility rates, utility right-of-way use, and related issues.

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Best Regards,

Joseph L. Sathe Legal Counsel

Enclosures

cc:

SRA Delegate Bob Vose, General Counsel Sam Ketchum, Legal Counsel

## SUBURBAN RATE AUTHORITY

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## **INVOICE**

**TO:** DATE: 08/23/2024

Mr. Daniel Buchholtz City Administrator City of Spring Lake Park 1301 81st Avenue NE Spring Lake Park, MN 55432-2116

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF VOTES	<b>AMOUNT</b>
2024 Membership Assessment: (\$488.00 per vote)	2	\$ 976.00
Assessment Paid:		\$ 488.00
Second Half Assessment Due and Payable:		\$ 488.00

## **Please Send Payment To:**

Mr. Darin Nelson Treasurer Suburban Rate Authority Minnetonka City Hall 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard Minnetonka, MN 55345-1502