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Commissioners:

My name is Harry Hartfield. I'm the head of Government Affairs for Uber in Colorado. Our research shows that many drivers are hesitant to buy electric vehicles ("EVs") because of the high upfront costs. We believe Xcel's proposal could reduce barriers to access for drivers and support electrification of Transportation Network Company vehicles. The proposal is similar to other initiatives around the country that we've supported, in addition to Uber's Green Future Program, which committed \$800 million in resources to support drivers who choose to transition to EVs.

We're happy to answer any questions and look forward to continuing the dialogue with you and all stakeholders on sustainability.

Sincerely,

Harry Hartfield

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Head of Government Affairs
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May 12th, 2023

Dear Commissioners:

Lyft strongly supports Xcel Energy's plans for the future of electric vehicles in Colorado with its new Transportation Electrification Plan. Lyft operates throughout Colorado as a peer-to-peer rideshare platform and has a very aggressive goal of reaching 100% EV rides on its platform by 2030. We cannot meet this goal alone and Xcel's TEP will be critical in reaching our objective. In this proposal, Xcel Energy puts forward a comprehensive plan designed to advance electric vehicle infrastructure in the state with a comprehensive, multi-year plan:

A cleaner transportation future

- The transportation sector offers the largest opportunity to improve air quality and address climate change. As energy companies have reduced emissions, transportation is now the largest source of carbon emissions in the U.S.
- As more electric vehicle options become available, a growing number of customers want to reduce their carbon footprint through the cars they drive.

EV goals and benefits

- Xcel Energy has a goal to enable one out of five vehicles to be electric in the areas it serves by 2030, which would reduce carbon by nearly five million tons annually by 2030. By 2050, it will provide the fueling infrastructure and energy system to run all vehicles in its service area on carbon-free electricity or other clean energy.
- Xcel Energy's goals support the state of Colorado's goal of having 940,000 EVs on the road by 2030.
- An electric vehicle powered with electricity from Xcel Energy is more than 55% cleaner than a conventional gasoline-powered car. By 2030, that number is expected to jump to more than 80%, under its plans for reducing carbon emissions.
- Lower cost is another key benefit – charging an EV during off-peak rate periods currently costs the equivalent of about \$1 per gallon of gasoline. Under Xcel Energy's goal, customers would save \$1 billion annually on fuel across the areas it serves by 2030.

Xcel Energy's new Transportation Electrification Plan

- Xcel Energy's new Transportation Electric Plan (TEP) ~~2.0~~ proposes new and enhanced electric vehicle charging options and programs to make charging at home and on-the-go easy, fast and more affordable for all customers.
- The Transportation Electrification Plan will help accelerate the pace of EV adoption, support equity and access to the benefits of electric transportation for all customers, and optimize the use of the electric grid as more EVs plug-in in the coming years.



- The proposals include expanding EV charging programs and options:
 - **Public charging:** The proposal would expand the number of high-speed public EV charging stations in Colorado, making it easier for drivers to charge on-the-go. To help the state reach our goals, we need more public charging availability to boost EV adoption, and this plan would add about 460 high-speed charging stations across Colorado between 2024 and 2026.
 - **EV rebates and incentives:** New and expanded incentives would help qualified customers purchase or lease new or used EVs. Broader equity eligibility criteria will help more Coloradans benefit.
 - **Residential customer programs:** Streamlined and enhanced residential EV programs will make it easy and affordable for customers to power their EVs at home while helping Xcel Energy efficiently manage the electric grid.
 - **Commercial customer programs:** Services, charger rebates, charger rentals, and managed charging options will help commercial customers meet a variety of charging needs, including multi-family housing, workplaces, fleets and public charging.
 - **Advisory services:** Expanded services will help customers understand the benefits of EVs and their charging options, making it easier to confidently switch to driving an electric vehicle. Educational tools and expanded partnerships with auto dealerships will help customers enroll in EV charging programs.
 - **Partnerships and innovation:** A portfolio of partnerships, research and innovation will bring forward innovative EV transportation projects and partnerships, including the launch of an electric school bus project.

We encourage the Commission to support Xcel Energy's Transportation Electrification Plan and its efforts to provide EV services that benefit all Coloradoans, while driving toward a cleaner transportation future for our communities and the entire state.

Sincerely

Jon Walker

Lyft Sustainability Manager

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Jon Walker", written over a light blue horizontal line.