Appendix F - Detailed Alternative Descriptions From Final (June 2011) Wisconsin CPCN Application

## Information Requirements for Electric Transmission Lines and Substations

This Technical Support Document (TSD) follows the format and guidance contained in the Application Filing Requirements for Transmission Line Projects in Wisconsin (Part 2.00), Version 17C (Application Filing Requirements [AFR], issued by the PSCW, WDNR and DATCP (November 2009).

### 2.1. Engineering Information

### 2.1.1. Type and Location of Line Construction Required

The Applicants propose to construct a new 345 kilovolt (kV) transmission line between Hampton, Minnesota; Rochester, Minnesota: and La Crosse, Wisconsin and two new 161 kilovolt (kV) transmission lines in the Rochester area. The new facilities are needed to meet local community load serving needs in the La Crosse, Wisconsin; Winona, Minnesota; and Rochester, Minnesota areas, to maintain the reliability of the regional electrical system and to support generation outlet. More specifically, the areas in Wisconsin benefiting from the project are Buffalo, Trempealeau and La Crosse Counties, including the communities of Alma, Buffalo City, Fountain City, Arcadia, Galesville, Trempealeau, Holmen, Onalaska, La Crosse and the surrounding rural areas.

In this Application the Applicants seek approval from PSCW and WDNR to construct the 345 kV line and associated facilities that would be located in Wisconsin termed the La Crosse Project or Project. The 345 kV line is proposed from the Mississippi River crossing at Alma, Wisconsin to a new transmission substation (Briggs Road Substation located near Holmen referred to in early planning documents as a proposed North La Crosse Substation). The 345 kV transmission line would be approximately 40 to 55 miles long in Buffalo, Trempealeau and La Crosse Counties and, depending on the final route selected, be constructed in the cities of Alma, Buffalo, and Galesville; the towns of Arcadia, Belvidere, Buffalo, Caledonia, Cross, Gale, Glencoe, Holland, Lincoln, Milton, Onalaska, Trempealeau and Waumandee; and the village of Cochrane. Xcel Energy would construct all Wisconsin facilities; it is anticipated that the Applicants would jointly own the transmission line and Xcel Energy would own the Briggs Road Substation.

Three alternative routes and one route option are included in this Application. For the most part, these routes utilize existing 161 kV and 69 kV transmission corridors. In such corridors, existing transmission lines would be removed and a new double-circuit transmission line carrying the proposed 345 kV circuit and existing lower voltage circuit would be constructed. Certain distribution lines would require relocation.

The three alternative routes and one route option are identified in Figures 2 and 9 through 14 in the Introduction and Overview Section; Tables 2.1-1 through 2.1-4; and are presented in detail in the CPCN Impact Tables in Appendix A and in the Topographic Maps, General Route Maps, and Environmental Features Maps in Appendices B through D, respectively. The alternative routes included in this Application are the:

- Q1-Highway 35 Route
- Arcadia Route
- Q1-Galesville Route

The Arcadia-Alma Option is a 1.3-mile segment alternative that would replace a 1.7 mile section of the Arcadia Route near the Mississippi River and offers an alternative connection from the river crossing to the Arcadia Route.

Also, regardless of the route selected, the Project includes rerouting the existing Xcel Energy TremvalMayfair 161 kV line and the existing Dairyland Alma-La Crosse (Q1) 161 kV line for a short distance to the proposed Briggs Road Substation (Figures 4 and 5).

The 345 kV line would be constructed on steel, self-supporting poles on concrete foundations, except as noted below. Areas requiring alternate designs are:

- The Black River floodplain area of the Q1-Highway 35 Route that would be constructed on vibratory caisson foundations, which do not require excavation or concrete. A hollow pole section is vibrated into the earth using a crane or helicopter-mounted vibratory hammer. The construction plan for this area is included in Appendix J.
- Certain poles in hilly wooded areas of the routes may incorporate guy wires to reduce pole diameter and weight, thereby aiding constructability.
- Segment 2D of the Q1-Galesville Route would include wood poles located mid-span to carry the underbuilt 69 kV line.


### 2.1.1.1. Q1-Highway 35 Route

The Q1-Highway 35 Route is 43 miles, beginning at the Mississippi River crossing at Alma and ending at the proposed Briggs Road Substation site. The route configuration and ROW sharing are presented in Figures 9 and 10. Route segments are described in Table 2.1-1 based on ROW sharing. More information about this route can be found in Section 2.4.

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Table 2.1-1:
Q1-Highway 35 Route Configuration and Segment Summary (Refer to Figures 9 and 10 in the Introduction and Overview section of this Application)

| Q1-Highway 35 Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing $161 / 161 \text { kV }$ |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland $161 / 69$ kV line that would be removed and included in new 345/161/69 triple-circuit. |
| Steel Lattice Poles <br> (Energized at <br> 161/69 kV) <br> Proposed <br> 345/345/161 kV <br> Triple-Circuit <br> Steel Multipole <br> (Energized at <br> 345/161/69 kV) | 1 | 0.9 | Starts at Wisconsin state boundary in the Mississippi River and follows the existing 161 kV corridor eastward. <br> Crosses active railroad tracks that comprise part of a Dairyland power plant coal unloading facility before crossing the Great River Road/Wisconsin Highway 35 (GRR/WI-35) and the existing 161 kV transmission corridor. |
|  |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Existing $161 \text { kV }$ | 2A1 | 0.1 | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a 161/69 kV transmission corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to the edge of forested lands. |
| Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Proposed $345 / 345 \mathrm{kV}$ <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> (Energized at | 2A2 | 0.6 | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a 161/69 kV transmission corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to the edge of forested lands. |
| 345/161 kV) | 2A3 | 1.2 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |

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| Q1-Highway 35 Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
|  |  |  | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a 161/69 kV transmission corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to agricultural areas and the edge of forested lands. |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame | 2B | 3.1 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Located west of the GRR/WI-35 and east of Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) rail line. <br> Crosses County Road OO, Foegen Road, Herman Street Road and North Main Street, while proceeding in a generally southeast direction. <br> Shares 161 kV transmission corridor that is adjacent to active agricultural lands and rural agricultural development. |
| Proposed $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 2 C | 1.4 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Crosses the GRR/WI-35, Bluff Street, County Road O and a golf course, while generally staying on the east side of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Shares 161 kV transmission corridor that is adjacent to a forest and rural residential area. |
| Existing <br> 69 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood Monopole | 2D | 1.8 | Re-alignment to the Dairyland 69 kV corridor to reduce impacts to homes south of Cochrane and to mitigate aesthetic impacts to the GRR/WI-35. The existing Dairyland 161 kV and 69 kV lines near the GRR/WI-35 would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. Portions of a second 69 kV line near the GRR/WI- 35 would also be removed. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161/69 kV <br> Triple-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole |  |  | Crosses the GRR/WI-35 and BNSF rail line. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 69 kV transmission corridor that passes through active agricultural areas. |

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Q1-Highway 35 Route

| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 2E | 3.1 | Re-alignment on new corridor to reduce impacts to homes south of Cochrane and to mitigate aesthetic impacts to the GRR/WI-35. The existing Dairyland 161 kV and 69 kV lines near the GRR/WI-35 would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. Portions of a second 69 kV line near the GRR/WI-35 would also be removed. |
|  |  |  | Parallels the BNSF rail line and an existing 69 kV transmission line corridor. <br> Crosses the GRR/WI-35, Prairie Moon Road and Bechly Road, while crossing active agricultural areas, rural residential and small wetlands. |
| $345 / 161$ kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 2F | 1.1 | Connects back to existing Dairyland 161 kV corridor. |
|  |  |  | New alignment that crosses the GRR/WI-35 and Haney Drive. Crosses active agricultural land and a wetland. |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame and <br> Multipole | 2G | 6.6 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> (2 Locations Require <br> Multipoles) |  |  | Crosses Waumandee Creek Road, County Road G, Guenther Road, WI-95, County Road P and Rocky Ridge Road. <br> Shares existing 161 kV transmission corridor that crosses a variety of terrain and land uses, including active agriculture, forest and open space.. |
|  | 2 H | 0.7 | Minor reroute to aid constructability through wooded, hilly topography. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Multipole |  |  | Located southwest of existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor. Does not cross any existing roads, nor is it adjacent to development. Crosses forested terrain. Existing 161 kV alignment would be removed. |

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| Q1-Highway 35 Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wooden H-Frame <br> (Some Wood <br> Multipoles) | 21 | 7.5 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Crosses Brandhorst Road, Oak Lane, County Road P, the GRR/WI-35, Klein Lane, West Prairie Road and Delaney Road. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor that crosses an active agricultural area, forest, open space and rural residential areas. |
|  | 3 | 7.2 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> (18 Locations Require <br> Multipoles) |  |  | Crosses Schuh Road, Lehmann Road, Canar Road, Granna Lane, Williamson Lane, Memmer Lane, GRR/WI-35, Schubert Road, County Road K and 11th Street. Shares existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor that crosses an active agricultural area, open space, remnant forest and rural residential areas. |
|  | 4 | 0.2 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Crosses County Road M. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor that crosses active agricultural areas. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 8A | 1.1 | Existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV line would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. Possibility of removing existing 69 kV from Seven Bridges area is under consideration and, if implemented, would result in 345/161/69 triple circuit. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Multipole |  |  | Parallel to and north of the GRR/WI-35. Crosses County Road M. |
|  | 8B | 2.3 | Existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV line would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. Possibility of removing existing 69 kV from Seven Bridges area is under consideration and, if implemented, would result in 345/161/69 triple circuit. |
|  |  |  | Parallel to and north of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Crosses the Black River and forested wetlands. |

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Q1-Highway 35 Route

| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 8C | 1.1 | Existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV line would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | North of and parallel to the GRR/WI-35 and crosses Amsterdam Prairie Road. Crosses the GRR/WI-35 about 0.10 miles east of Staphorst Lane. <br> Crosses Blackwelder Place on the south side of the GRR/WI-35. Crosses active agriculture, rural residential and open space. <br> Shares an existing Dairyland 69 kV transmission corridor for 0.25 miles. |
|  |  |  | Existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV line would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  | 9 | 2.4 | Parallel to and west of GRR/US-53. Crosses to the east side of GRR/US-53, 0.30 miles south of Old Na Road. Crosses to the west side of GRR/US-53, 0.25 miles north of County Road MH. <br> Passes through active and inactive agriculture, rural residential and crosses County Road MH. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission |  |  | Existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV line would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV Steel <br> Monopole <br> (5 locations require <br> Multipoles) | 18H | 0.7 | Parallel to and west of GRR/US-53. <br> Passes through active agriculture. <br> Connects with the proposed Briggs Road Substation. |

### 2.1.1.2. Arcadia Route and Arcadia-Alma Option

The Arcadia Route is 54.8 miles, beginning at the crossing of the Mississippi River at Alma and ending at the proposed Briggs Road Substation site. The Arcadia Route follows a combination of existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor, existing Dairyland 69 kV corridor, existing Xcel Energy 161 kV corridor and roadways. The route configuration and ROW sharing are presented in Figures 11 and 12. Route segments are described in Tables 2.1-2 and 2.1-3 based on ROW sharing. More information about this route can be found in Section 2.4.

There is an option for a portion of the Arcadia Route (Figures 11 and 12) that consists of a 1.3-mile 345 kV transmission line corridor comprised of Segment 10B2. The Arcadia-Alma Option would replace a 1.7 mile portion of the Arcadia Route that was selected to avoid impacts to a future residential development. Segment 10B2 does not share transmission corridor, but rejoins the existing corridor at Segment 10C.

Table 2.1-2:
Arcadia Route Configuration and Segment Summary
(Refer to Figures 11 and 12 in the Introduction and Overview section of this Application)

| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing $161 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161/69 kV line that would be removed and included in new 345/161/69 kV triple-circuit. |
| Double-Circuit Steel Lattice (Energized at 161/69 kV) <br> Proposed <br> 345/345/161 kV <br> Triple-Circuit <br> Steel Multipole <br> (Energized at <br> 345/161/69 kV) | 1 | 0.9 | Starts at Wisconsin state boundary in the Mississippi River and follows the existing 161 kV corridor eastward. <br> Crosses active railroad tracks that comprise part of a Dairyland power plant coal unloading facility before crossing the GRR/WI-35 and the existing 161 kV transmission corridor. |

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| Length <br> Existing/Proposed <br> Configuration |  | Segment | Arcadia Route |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Existing <br> (miles) |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line to $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. The existing <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame |

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| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing <br> No Transmission |  |  | New corridor. Segment selected to avoid homes to the east of the existing 69 kV corridor. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 11 C | 0.8 | Does not cross any roads. <br> Creates a new transmission corridor along property lines, crossing active agricultural lands and forested woodlands. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission |  |  | New corridor, mostly sharing road ROW. Segment selected to avoid homes on east side of Thompson Valley Road and the wetland on the southern portion of the segment. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 11D | 1.1 | Crosses existing 69 kV transmission corridor at Thompson Valley Road and Rudy Lane. <br> Crosses Edmund Suchla Lane. |
| Existing $69 \text { kV }$ |  |  | Existing 69 kV alignment removed and combined with proposed 345 kV as 345/69 kV double-circuit. New alignment necessary for construction access. |
| Proposed <br> 345/69 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> (1 Location <br> Requires Steel <br> Multipole) | 11E | 0.6 | Crosses Thompson Valley Road and partially shares with an existing 69 kV transmission corridor. <br> Partially located in a maintained corridor within forested woodland. |

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| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing <br> 69 kV <br> Single-Circuit |  |  | Existing 69 kV alignment on hillside removed and combined with proposed 345 kV as 345/69 kV double-circuit. Segment selected to improve construction access and reduce related impacts since the existing 69 kV line is located on steep hillside. |
| Proposed 345/69 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 11F | 0.4 | West of existing 69 kV transmission corridor. <br> Creates a new corridor and crosses Thompson Valley Road, crossing open space and a forested woodland. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Existing } \\ & 69 \text { kV } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Existing 69 kV alignment removed and combined with proposed 345 kV as $345 / 69 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. |
| Single-Circuit <br> Wood Mono and Multipoles <br> Proposed <br> 345/69 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> (9 Locations Require <br> Steel Multipoles) | 11G | 9.6 | For 0.4 miles, located on an existing 69 kV transmission corridor to aid construction access. Creates a new corridor in this section, crossing open space, then crossing and paralleling Thompson Valley Road. <br> Heads south, utilizing an existing 69 kV transmission corridor. <br> Crosses existing 69 kV transmission corridor near Fox Coulee Road and WI-93. <br> Crosses Norway Valley Road, Amundson Lane, Holcomb Coulee Road, German Coulee Lane, Prondzinski Lane, Fox Coulee Lane, Walsky Lane, WI-93 and parallels Prondzinski and Grover Lanes. <br> Crosses forested woodlands, active agriculture and limited rural residential areas. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 13A | 1.1 | Segment runs along WI-93/WI-54, jogging from south to north to reduce impacts to homes. |
|  |  |  | Shares road corridor along WI-93/WI-54. <br> Crosses WI-93/WI-54 and Wright Drive, passing through active agriculture and a rural residential area. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> Vertical Configuration | 13B1 | 0.6 | Segment runs along WI-93/WI-54, jogging from south to north to reduce impacts to homes. |
|  |  |  | Shares road corridor along WI-93/WI-54. <br> Crosses Beaver Creek and passes through an active agricultural area, rural residential and small-scale commercial/retail areas. |

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| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
|  |  |  | Segment runs along WI-93/WI-54, jogging from south to north to reduce impacts to homes. |
|  | 13B2 | 3.5 | Shares road corridor along WI-93/WI-54. <br> Crosses Dale Valley Lane, South 15th Street, West Mill Road, Hueston Street, North Main Street and Hilltop Lane, as well as WI-93/WI-54. <br> Crosses Beaver Creek and passes through an active agricultural area, rural residential and small-scale commercial/retail areas. |
|  |  |  | Shares road corridor with WI-93. Segment located on south side of highway to reduce impacts to homes. |
|  | 13 C | 0.5 | Follows WI-93/WI-54/US-53. <br> Crosses McKeeth Drive and Hogden Road. <br> Passes through an edge of forested woodland and a roadside park. |
|  |  |  | Shares road corridor with WI-93/WI-54/US-53. Segment located on north side of highway to reduce impacts to homes. |
|  | 13D | 0.9 | Follows WI-93/WI-54. <br> Crosses WI-93/WI-54/US-54 and WI-54. <br> Passes through active agricultural areas, forested woodlands and rural residential areas. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission |  |  | New corridor, no sharing. Segment transitions from paralleling WI-93/US-53 eastward to intersect with existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 13E | 0.7 | Does not occupy existing transmission corridor. Poles can be spotted to minimize impacts to agriculture. <br> Crosses County Road AA. <br> Passes through active agricultural areas and forested woodlands. |

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Arcadia Route

| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
|  |  |  | Adjacent to active agricultural areas and an area in transition from agriculture to residential. |
|  | 18D | 0.3 | New alignment. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located to the east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of GRR/US-53and west of County Road Hd. <br> Crosses Old Na Road. <br> Crosses active agricultural areas. Poles spotting can reduce agricultural impacts. |
|  | 18E | 0.3 | New alignment along property lines. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located to the east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161$ kV double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impact to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of GRR/US-53and west of County Road Hd. |
|  | 18F | 0.6 | New alignment shares roadway corridors. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | Shares corridor with local roadways such as Briggs Road. <br> Crosses Sween Drive and County Road MH and east of GRR/US-53. <br> Adjacent to Holmen High School and low density residential areas and crosses active agricultural areas. |
|  | 18G | 0.6 | New alignment transitioning to US-53. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located to the east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161$ kV double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of GRR/US-53/County Road MH interchange. <br> Crosses GRR/US-53 and passes through open space and a low density residential area. |
|  | 18 H | 0.7 | 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Continues to the proposed Briggs Road Substation on the west side of GRR/US-53.. Passes through an area of active agriculture. |

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Table 2.1-3:
Arcadia-Alma Option Configuration and Segment Summary (Refer to Figure 11 and 12 in the Introduction and Overview section of this Application)

| Arcadia-Alma Option |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing <br> No Transmission |  |  | Alternative alignment option replacing Segments 10A1 and 10B1. Segment selected as the most direct route to connect with existing 161 kV line. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 10B2 | 1.3 | Does not share with existing transmission corridor; however, when the segment crosses Prairie Road, it connects to an existing 161 kV transmission line. <br> Crosses a forested woodland, an active agricultural area and rural residential. |

### 2.1.1.3. Q1-Galesville Route

The Q1-Galesville Route is 48.4 miles, beginning at the Mississippi River crossing at Alma and ending at the proposed Briggs Road Substation site. The first part of this route follows the Q1-Highway 35 alignment. The route then connects with the Arcadia alignment to the proposed Briggs Road Substation.

The Q1-Galesville Route utilizes portions of the Q1-Highway 35 and Arcadia routes and a connector segment on new ROW north of Trempealeau. The Q1-Galesville Route is comprised of the following route segments:

- Common with Q1-Highway 35 Route: 1, 2A1, 2A2, 2A3, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G, 2H and 21
- Connector on new ROW: 6 and12
- Common with Arcadia Route: 13B2, 13C, 13D, 13E, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 18C, 18D, 18E, 18F, 18G and 18H

The Q1-Galesville Route configuration and ROW sharing are presented in Figures 13 and 14. Route segments are described in Table 2.4-1 based on ROW sharing. More information about this route can be found in Section 2.4.

Table 2.1-4:
Q1-Galesville Route Configuration and Segment Summary (Refer to Figures 13 and 14 in the Introduction and Overview section of this Application)

| Q1-Galesville Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing $161 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland $161 / 69 \mathrm{kV}$ line that would be removed and included in new 345/161/69 triple-circuit. |
| Steel Lattice Poles <br> (Energized at <br> 161/69 kV) <br> Proposed <br> 345/345/161 kV <br> Triple-Circuit <br> Steel Multipole <br> (Energized at <br> 345/161/69 kV) | 1 | 0.9 | Starts at Wisconsin state boundary in the Mississippi River and follows the existing 161 kV corridor eastward. <br> Crosses active railroad tracks that comprise part of a Dairyland power plant coal unloading facility before crossing the GRR/WI-35 and the existing 161 kV transmission corridor. |
|  |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit | 2A1 | 0.1 | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a transmission 161/69 kV corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to the edge of forested lands. |
| Wood H-Frame |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Proposed <br> 345/345 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole | 2A2 | 0.6 | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a transmission 161/69 kV corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to the edge of forested lands. |
| (Energized at 345/161 kV) |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  | 2A3 | 1.2 | Located east of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Parallels existing transmission line corridors. <br> Shares a transmission 161/69 kV corridor that has been cleared and maintained adjacent to agricultural areas and the edge of forested lands. |

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| Q1-Galesville Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
|  |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame | 2B | 3.1 | Located west of the GRR/WI-35 and east of BNSF rail line. <br> Crosses County Road OO, Foegen Road, Herman Street Road and North Main Street, while proceeding in a generally southeast direction. <br> Shares 161 kV transmission corridor that is adjacent to active agricultural lands and rural agricultural development. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV |  |  | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
| Double-Circuit Steel Monopole | 2 C | 1.4 | Crosses GRR/WI-35, Bluff Street, County Road O and a golf course, while generally staying on the east side of the GRR/WI-35. <br> Shares 161 kV transmission corridor that is adjacent to a forest and rural residential area. |
| Existing <br> 69 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood Monopole | 2D | 18 | Re-alignment to the Dairyland 69 kV corridor to reduce impacts to homes south of Cochrane and to mitigate aesthetic impacts to the GRR/WI-35. The existing Dairyland 161 kV and 69 kV lines near the GRR/WI-35 would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. Portions of a second 69 kV line near the GRR/WI-35 would also be removed. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole |  |  | Crosses the GRR/WI-35, Wisconsin Street and BNSF rail line. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 69 kV transmission corridor that passes through active agricultural areas. |
| Existing |  |  | Re-alignment on new corridor to reduce impacts to homes south of Cochrane and to mitigate aesthetic impacts to the GRR/WI-35. The existing Dairyland 161 kV and 69 kV lines near the GRR/WI-35 would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. Portions of a second 69 kV line near the GRR/WI-35 would also be removed. |
| $345 \text { /161 kV }$ <br> Double-Circuit |  |  | Parallels BNSF rail line and an existing 69 kV transmission line corridor. <br> Crosses Prairie Moon Road and Bechly Road, while crossing active agricultural areas, rural residential and small wetlands. |
|  |  |  | Connects back to existing Dairyland 161 kV corridor. |
|  | 2F | 1.1 | New alignment that crosses the GRR/WI-35 and Haney Drive. Crosses active agricultural land and a wetland. |

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| Q1-Galesville Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 6 | 5.4 | Does not share with existing transmission corridor; however, it follows parcel and section lines. Segment selected to minimize impacts to residences. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel monopole <br> (2 Locations Require <br> Multipoles) |  |  | Crosses Sonsalla Road, Harris Road, the GRR/WI-35, Schubert Road and Wright Drive. <br> Passes through areas in active agricultural production. |
|  | 12 | 0.9 | Does not share with existing transmission corridor; however, it follows parcel and section lines. Segment selected to minimize impacts to residences. |
|  |  |  | Crosses Towngale Road and passes through an active agricultural area. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 13B2 | 3.5 | Shares road corridor with WI-93. Segment follows south side of WI-93/WI-54/US-53 to reduce impacts to residences. |
|  |  |  | Follows WI-93/WI-54/US-53. <br> Crosses Engen Road, Dale Valley Lane, WI-93/WI-54/US-53, South 15th Street, West Mill Road, Hueston Street, North Main Street and Hilltop Lane. <br> Passes through an active agricultural area, rural residential and small-scale commercial retail. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole <br> Vertical Configuration | 13C | 0.5 | Shares road corridor with WI-93/WI-54/US-53. Segment follows south side of WI-93/WI-54/US-53 to reduce impacts to residences. |
|  |  |  | Follows WI-93/WI-54/US-53. <br> Crosses Hogden Road and McKeeth Drive. <br> Passes through an edge of a forested woodland and roadside park. |
|  | 13D | 0.9 | Shares road corridor with WI-93/WI-54/US-53. Segment follows north side of WI-93/WI-54/US-53 to reduce impacts to residences. |
|  |  |  | Follows WI-93/WI-54/US-53. <br> Crosses WI-93/WI-54/US-53. <br> Passes through active agricultural areas, forested woodlands and rural residential. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 13E | 0.7 | New corridor, no sharing. Segment transitions from following WI-93/WI-54/US-53 eastward to intercept existing Xcel Energy 161 kV corridor. |
| Proposed <br> 345 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole |  |  | Does not occupy existing transmission line corridor. Poles can be spotted to minimize impact to agriculture. <br> Crosses County Road AA. <br> Passes through active agricultural areas and forested woodlands. |

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Q1-Galesville Route

| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing <br> 161 kV <br> Single-Circuit <br> Wood H-Frame and <br> Multipoles | 17A | 2.1 | Rebuild of existing Dairyland 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Crosses Pow Wow Lane, Council Bay Road and County Road T. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor that passes through forested woodland, reforested area and rural residential area. |
|  | 17B | 0.4 | Rebuild of existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to homes on west side of Aspeslset Road. Xcel Energy 161 kV line on west side of the road would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> (1 Location Requires a <br> Multipoles) |  |  | Crosses Aspeslset Road, Castle Heights Drive and Sylvester Road and generally parallels Aspeslset Road. <br> Shares existing Dairyland 161 kV transmission corridor that passes through a rural residential area. |
|  |  |  | Rebuild of existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line that would be removed and included in a new 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  | 18A | 2.6 | Crosses Castle Mound Golf Course. <br> Crosses Castle Mound Drive and Cliff Shade Road. <br> Shares existing Xcel Energy 161 kV transmission corridor along a treeline that is adjacent to active agricultural areas and rural residential. |
| Existing <br> No Transmission | 18B | 0.3 | New alignment. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new 345/161 kV double-circuit. Segment selected as transition point leaving the existing Xcel Energy 161 kV corridor and heading towards WI-93/US-53, rather than continuing south along the existing corridor to avoid impacting residences and businesses near Holmen. Existing 161 kV line would be removed from this point south until crossing over WI-93/US-53. |
|  |  |  | Crosses County Road HD and active agricultural areas. |
| Proposed <br> 345/161 kV <br> Double-Circuit <br> Steel Monopole (5 <br> Locations Require <br> Multipoles) | 18C | 0.6 | New alignment shares corridor with County Road Hd. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located to the east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ doublecircuit. |
|  |  |  | Crosses County Road HD and Newport Road and then parallels County Road HD on the west side. <br> Adjacent to active agricultural areas and an area in transition from agriculture to residential. |
|  | 18D | 0.3 | New alignment. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce |

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| Q1-Galesville Route |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Existing/Proposed Configuration | Segment | Length (miles) | Description |
|  |  |  | impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of US-53/GRR and west of County Road Hd. <br> Crosses Old Na Road. Along property lines <br> Crosses active agricultural areas. Poles can be spotted to minimize impacts to agriculture. |
|  | 18E | 0.3 | New alignment. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of GRR/US-53 and west of County Road Hd. |
|  | 18F | 0.6 | New alignment, shares roadway corridors. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new 345/161 kV double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | Shares corridor with local roadways, such as Briggs Road and GRR/US-53. <br> Crosses Sween Drive and County Road MH. <br> Adjacent to Holmen High School and low density residential areas and crosses active agricultural areas. |
|  | 18G | 0.6 | New alignment transitioning to US-53. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line located further east would be removed and included in new $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ double-circuit. Segment selected to reduce impacts to residences near Holmen. Existing Xcel Energy 161 kV line east of here would be removed and relocated with the 345 kV line. |
|  |  |  | East of the GRR/US-53 County Road MH interchange. <br> Crosses GRR/US-53 and passes through open space and a low density residential area. |
|  | 18H | 0.7 | 345/161 kV double-circuit. |
|  |  |  | Continues to the proposed Briggs Road Substation on the west side of GRR/US-53. Passes through an area of active agriculture. |

### 2.1.1.4. Tremval-Mayfair and Dairyland Q1 161 kV Transmission Line Reroutes

As part of the La Crosse Project, the existing Xcel Energy Tremval-Mayfair 161 kV transmission line and the existing Dairyland Q1 161 kV transmission line would be rerouted to the proposed Briggs Road Substation. The reroutes are shown in Figures 4 and 5 (and are shown in more detail in Figures 3 and 4 of Appendix K).

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The Applicants evaluated two potential substation sites. The Briggs Road Substation West Site was used for describing the routes in this section. Locating the substation on the Briggs Road Substation East Site is a shift of only 1,600 feet; therefore, the impacts would be essentially the same. For the East Site, the lines approaching the substation from the northwest would become approximately 1,600 feet longer, but lines entering the substation from the east would become approximately 1,600 feet shorter. Substation information is included in Appendix K.

Regardless of the route selected, Xcel Energy's Tremval-Mayfair 161 kV line and Dairyland's Q1 161 kV line must be routed into the Briggs Road Substation to connect the 345 kV line to the existing system. The longer of the reroutes is approximately 0.75 miles. These reroutes are shown in Figures 4 and 5 and are described in more detail in Section 2.6.

### 2.1.2. General Description of the Proposed Line

### 2.1.2.1. Size of Lines

### 2.1.2.1.1. Voltage

The Applicants propose to construct a new 345 kV circuit in Wisconsin. Existing 161 kV and 69 kV lines in the study area present themselves as routing opportunities for the 345 kV line. If overtaken by the 345 kV transmission route, the lower voltage transmission would be removed and reconstructed at their existing voltages in a double or triple-circuit with the 345 kV line.

The MPUC ordered the Minnesota sections of the Project to be constructed on poles capable of carrying a second 345 kV line if authorized at a future date (CON Order at 28-30). In its decision, the MPUC elected to maximize the potential for new 345 kV ROWs created in Minnesota by ordering the poles be constructed with the capability of adding a second circuit in the future if authorized. Adding a second circuit does not increase ROW width.

The Applicants propose this double-circuit-ready configuration be continued in Wisconsin for 1.0 to 2.8 miles depending on the route selected:

- Q1-Highway 35 Route: Segments 1, 2A1, 2A2, 2A3 (2.8 miles).
- Q1-Galesville Route: Segments 1, 2A1, 2A2, 2A3 (2.8 miles).
- Arcadia Route: Segments 1, 2A1, 2A2 (1.6 miles).
- Arcadia-Alma Option: Segments 1, 2A1 (1.0 miles).

Segment 1 (Mississippi River crossing) would be constructed as $345 / 345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ and energized as $345 / 161 / 69 \mathrm{kV}$. Segments 2A1, 2A2 and 2A3 would be constructed as $345 / 345 \mathrm{kV}$ and energized at $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$. These configurations have little impact on the appearance of the poles as pole geometry and spacing is governed by the 345 kV design. No additional ROW would be required.

The double circuit $345 / 345 \mathrm{kV}$ design is proposed to end at the Dairyland ash disposal facility near Dairyland Plant Road. Continuing this double circuit capable design to this location maximizes the carrying capacity of the existing ROW in an area with very limited routing options. Once at Dairyland

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Plant Road, several co-location opportunities are available for a future 345 kV single circuit line: 161 kV line route to Holmen and La Crosse (Q1); 161 kV line route to Arcadia, Blair, Jackson County and I-94; and 161 kV line route to Eau Claire. A 345/161 kV substation at the Dairyland ash facility may also provide future benefits by allowing the 345 kV line to interconnect with 161 kV lines in the area.

A second 345 kV line would require a CON in Minnesota and a CPCN in Wisconsin. See CON Order on 28-30.

### 2.1.2.1.2. Size of Shield Wire

All routes would use two shield wires to protect phase conductors from lightning strikes. Depending on the route, the shield wires could consist of standard $7 / 16$-inch, seven-strand extra high strength steel (EHS) cable and/or a steel and aluminum stranded wire containing a fiber optic bundle core (generally known as optical ground wire or OPGW). OPGW allows both lightning protection and a communication path between substations. The fiber optic would be utilized only for utility communication or to replace fiber currently installed on Dairyland's system. Table 2.1-5 summarizes shield wire information.

Table 2.1-5:
Size of Shield Wire

| Shield Wire \# | Segments | Type | Purpose |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1-Highway 35 Route |  |  |  |
| 1 | All | OPGW 48 fiber | Lightning protection and continuous ground. <br> Control communication between Project substations. Intra-utility communications for CapX2020 Utilities. |
| 2 | All | OPGW <br> 36 fiber | Lightning protection and continuous ground. <br> Replacement for existing fiber on Dairyland's Q1 (12 fibers leased to Norlight and an additional 24 fibers for Dairyland's intra-utility communication). |
| Arcadia Route |  |  |  |
| 1 | All | 7/16-inch EHS | Lightning protection and continuous ground. |
| 2 | All | OPGW <br> 48 fiber | Lightning protection and continuous ground. <br> Control communication between Project substations. Intra-utility communications for CapX2020 Utilities. |
| Q1-Galesville Route |  |  |  |
| 1 | All | OPGW <br> 48 fiber | Lightning protection and continuous ground. <br> Control communication between Project substations. Intra-utility communications for CapX2020 Utilities. |
| 2 | 1, 2 | OPGW 36 fiber | Lightning protection and continuous ground. <br> Replacement for existing fiber on Dairyland's Q1 (12 fibers leased to Norlight and an additional 24 fibers for Dairyland's intra-utility communication). |

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### 2.1.2.1.3. Size of Conductor

345 kV Circuit: The 345 kV transmission line would use two 954 kcmil 45/7 Cardinal ACSS or 954 ACSS/TW Cardinal 20/7 Type 13 conductors per phase. ${ }^{5}$

161 kV Circuits: All 161 kV circuits rebuilt as part of this Project would use a single 795 kcmil 26/7 Drake ACSS conductor per phase.

69 kV Circuits: All 69 kV circuits rebuilt as part of this Project would use a single 795 kcmil 26/7 Drake ACSS conductor per phase.

### 2.1.2.1.4. Pole Type, Height and Typical Span Length

Except where galvanized poles would be utilized to minimize visual impacts along the GRR/WI-35, the proposed transmission line would use weathering steel poles that oxidize to a dark brown color. For most of the Project, the Applicants propose to install single shaft steel poles on concrete foundations. Large angles (typically those greater than 30 degrees) would be designed as two-pole poles to reduce foundation diameters and to aid constructability. In addition, several locations in the hilly coulee region would require multipole structures for additional strength required for long spans between hilltops, to aid constructability, or to aid construction access.

Tables 2.1-6 through 2.1-9 present pole type, height and typical span lengths.
Table 2.1-6:

## Q1-Highway 35 Route Pole Type, Height and Typical Span Lengths

| PoleType | Figure in Appendix L | Typical Height Above Ground (feet) | Typical Span Length (feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit l-String Tangent | S6-1 | 145-165 | 700-950 |
| $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-2 | 125-155 | 600-800 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-3 | 155-175 | 600-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-4 | 145-170 | 600-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit V-String Tangent | S6-5 | 140-185 | 700-1,300 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ V-String | S6-6 | 155-170 | 700-1,100 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-7A or S6-7B | 135-155 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $60^{\circ}-95^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-10A or S6-10B | 130 | 800 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-9 | 120 | 300 |
| 161 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-8 | 70-110 | 300-500 |

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| PoleType | Figure in Appendix L | Typical Height Above Ground (feet) | Typical Span Length (feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Deadend | S6-13 | 80-199 | 970-1,670 |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Tangent | S6-12 | 140 | 900-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV 6-Pole Deadend | S6-16 | 160 | 1700-2,500 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit H-Frame Deadend | S6-15 | 170 | 1200-2,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit l-String Tangent w/ 69 kV U.B. | S6-17 | 160 | 780-790 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit Wetland H-Frame | S6-11 | 75-95 | 650-1,000 |
| 69 kV Mid-Span Single-Circuit Tangent | S6-14 | 55 | 300-400 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit Wetland H-Frame w/ 69 kV UB | S6-28 | 90-130 | 600-950 |

Table 2.1-7:
Arcadia Route Pole Type, Height and Typical Span Lengths

| Pole Type | Figure in Appendix L | Typical Height Above Ground (feet) | Typical Span Length (feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit l-String Tangent | S6-1 | 130-170 | 700-950 |
| $345 / 161$ kV Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-2 | 140-145 | 800-950 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ - String | S6-3 | 135-170 | 700-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-4 | 140-160 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit V-String Tangent | S6-5 | 135-195 | 600-1,500 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ V-String | S6-6 | 160-185 | 800-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-7A or S6-7B | 130-165 | 600-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $60^{\circ}-95^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-10A or S6-10B | 130-170 | 800-1,000 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String Vertical Tangent | S6-18 | 130-160 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-20 | 140-165 | 700-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-22 | 155-165 | 700-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-24 | 150-165 | 600-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String Delta Tangent | S6-19 | 125-135 | 900-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-21 | 130-145 | 700-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-23 | 135-145 | 900-1,000 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-25 | 130 | 1,000-1,400 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String Delta Tangent | S6-26 | 135-155 | 1,000-1,400 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-27 | 140 | 900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-9 | 140-160 | 700-1,000 |
| 161 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-8 | 70-110 | 300-500 |

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| Pole Type | Figure in <br> Appendix L | Typical Height Above <br> Ground (feet) | Typical Span <br> Length (feet) |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| $345 / 161 / 69$ kV Triple-Circuit Deadend | $\mathrm{S6}-13$ | $80-199$ | $970-1,670$ |
| $345 / 161 / 69$ kV Triple-Circuit Tangent | $\mathrm{S6-12}$ | 140 | $900-1,200$ |
| $345 / 161$ kV Double-Circuit H-Frame Deadend | $\mathrm{S6-15}$ | $140-175$ | $1,000-2,000$ |

Table 2.1-8:
Arcadia-Alma Option Pole Type, Height and Typical Span Lengths

| Pole Type | Figure in Appendix L | Typical Height Above Ground (feet) | Typical Span Length (feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit - -String Tangent | S6-1 | 130-170 | 600-950 |
| $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ} \mathrm{I}$-String | S6-2 | 140-145 | 800-950 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-3 | 130-170 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-4 | 140-170 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit V-String Tangent | S6-5 | 140-180 | 900-1,500 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ} \mathrm{V}$-String | S6-6 | 165-175 | 1,000-1,500 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-7A or S6-7B | 130-165 | 600-1,100 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $60^{\circ}-95^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-10A or S6-10B | 130-150 | 900-1,200 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String Vertical Tangent | S6-18 | 130-160 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-20 | 150-165 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-22 | 155-165 | 700-1,000 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-24 | 150-165 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String Delta Tangent | S6-19 | 125-150 | 900-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-21 | 130-145 | 700-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit l-String $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-23 | 145 | 1,100 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String Delta Tangent | S6-26 | 135-155 | 700-1,100 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-27 | 140 | 900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-9 | 140-160 | 700-1,000 |
| 161 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-8 | 70-110 | 300-500 |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Deadend | S6-13 | 80-199 | 970-1,670 |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Tangent | S6-12 | 140 | 900-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit H-Frame Deadend | S6-15 | 175 | 1,900 |

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Table 2.1-9:
Q1-Galesville Route Pole Type, Height and Typical Span Lengths

| Pole Type | Figure in Appendix L | Typical Height Above Ground (feet) | Typical Span Length (feet) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit I-String Tangent | S6-1 | 130-160 | 700-950 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-2 | 125-155 | 600-800 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-3 | 135-175 | 700-1,100 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ I-String | S6-4 | 145-165 | 700-1,300 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit V-String Tangent | S6-5 | 135-190 | 700-1,400 |
| $345 / 161 \mathrm{kV}$ Double-Circuit $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ} \mathrm{V}$-String | S6-6 | 155-170 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit 30 ${ }^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-7A or S6-7B | 130-155 | 700-1,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit 60 $-95^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-10A or S6-10B | 130-150 | 900-1,000 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String Vertical Tangent | S6-18 | 130-160 | 600-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-20 | 150-160 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $5^{\circ}-15^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-22 | 155-175 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $15^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$ Vertical RA | S6-24 | 150-165 | 700-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String Delta Tangent | S6-19 | 115-135 | 700-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit I-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-21 | 115 | 800-900 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String Delta Tangent | S6-26 | 135-140 | 800-1,100 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit V-String $1^{\circ}-5^{\circ}$ Delta RA | S6-27 | 120-160 | 900-950 |
| 345 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-9 | 125-140 | 1,000 |
| 161 kV Single-Circuit $30^{\circ}-60^{\circ}$ Deadend | S6-8 | 70-110 | 300-500 |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Deadend | S6-13 | 80-199 | 970-1,670 |
| 345/161/69 kV Triple-Circuit Tangent | S6-12 | 140 | 900-1,200 |
| 345/161 kV 6-Pole Deadend | S6-16 | 160 | 1,700-2,500 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit H-Frame Deadend | S6-15 | 170 | 1,100-2,000 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit I-String Tangent w/ 69kV U.B. | S6-17 | 160 | 780-790 |
| 345/161 kV Double-Circuit Wetland H-Frame | S6-11 | 90-110 | 700-1,000 |
| 69 kV Mid-Span Single-Circuit Tangent | S6-14 | 55 | 300-400 |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{5}$ The conductors have equivalent capacity ( 1725 amps for ACSS/TW and 1716 amps for ACSS). ACSS/TW is slightly more expensive (approximately $\$ 1,500$ per circuit mile) but is expected to result in overall savings from reduced structure loading and reduced risk of damage during installation. If both conductors are approved, the Applicants would make a choice after a constructability review with the construction contractor and project team.

