

February 12, 2025

Mr. AJ Borowiak
Committee Administrator
Minnesota House of Representatives
2nd Floor Centennial Office Building
628 Cedar Street
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

RE: HF 28; MN House Energy Finance and Policy Committee Hearing 2/13/2025

Dear Mr. Borowiak,

GREATER MSP is the independent, 501c3 nonprofit regional economic development partnership for the Minneapolis-Saint Paul region. The mission of the GREATER MSP Partnership is to accelerate regional competitiveness and inclusive economic growth through job creation, capital investment and implementation of strategic initiatives. Our partnership is comprised of over 350 businesses, cities, counties, universities, foundations and nonprofits. Together, we work in collaboration to build a modern, competitive economy that creates opportunities for residents across the region and state.

Hyperscale data centers have quickly become critical components of the national and global economy. All communities and employers rely upon the computational and storage capability of this digital infrastructure to maintain and grow their operations. Hyperscale data centers are one of the necessary building blocks for a competitive, 21st century economy. Minnesota is well-positioned for these investments, which offer tangible economic benefits for the region and state. These include:

- Thousands of jobs in the construction of these complex and capital-intensive facilities
- Hundreds of good-paying full-time technology jobs
- More “indirect” jobs in the construction supply chain, electrical contractors and suppliers, professional services (engineering, legal, consulting).
- Billions of dollars in new private investment, producing millions in new local and state tax revenue to support public services and quality of life investments

HF 28 is relevant to the region’s economic competitiveness because it provides new clarity and necessary certainty to the approval process for hyperscale data centers, which is required to locate these digital assets in our region and economy.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (651) 287-1358 or peter.frosch@greatersp.org.

Best regards,



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