IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO Chief Judge Marcia S. Krieger

Civil Action No. 13-cv-02138-MSK-KLM

XCEL ENERGY, INC., a Minnesota corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

AARON INVESTMENT COMPANY, INC., a Delaware corporation; and AARON'S, INC., a Georgia corporation,

Defendants.

ORDER OF RECUSAL

THIS MATTER arises *sua sponte*. The undersigned is a beneficiary of a trust whose assets include shares in one of the parties. Accordingly, the undersigned has a financial interest in a party to the proceeding, and 28 U.S.C. § 455(b)(4) and the CODE OF CONDUCT FOR UNITED STATES JUDGES require her recusal in this matter

Accordingly, the undersigned hereby **RECUSES** herself from hearing this matter.

The Clerk shall randomly reassign this case to another judge of this Court.

DATED this 26th day of August, 2013.

BY THE COURT:

Marcia S. Krieger

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