



## Solar Park on the Denver Federal Center

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On June 8, 2006, Xcel Energy posted a request for proposal (RFP) for customer-sited solar photovoltaic (PV) power generation sites. This RFP was in response to Amendment 37 which revised Colorado Statute 40-2-124 often referred to as the Renewable Energy Standard. This statute required Xcel to produce 3% of its power through renewable technology from 2007 to 2010.

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The solar park is comprised of 6192 individual panels and is located on a six-acre strip of land adjacent to Sixth Avenue. This location makes the site visible to the thousands of commuters that travel this corridor every day.

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