



June 30, 2020

Mr. Will Seuffert
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RE: In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2015 Integrated Resource Plan
Docket No. E015/RP-15-690
In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Petition for Approval of the EnergyForward
Resource Package
Docket No. E015/M-17-568
Minnesota Power's 2016 Rate Case
Docket No. E015/GR-16-664

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

I am writing today on behalf of the City of Hoyt Lakes, home of the Laskin Energy Center, and as a participant in Minnesota Power's East Range Community Advisory Panel. We appreciate the opportunity to work collaboratively with other interested stakeholders in this important work and write in support of Minnesota Power's request for a six-month extension from the submittal deadline of October 2020 to a new filing date of April 2021 due to the following:

- Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Minnesota Power has prioritized customer protection and economic recovery activities.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has impeded the ability to conduct stakeholder engagement in the Boswell Energy Center host community.
- Decisions about power plants that could shape our community's collective future for decades should not be rushed. We appreciate and support Minnesota Power's request to take the time necessary to have a robust stakeholder process that includes our perspective.

- Minnesota Power serves some of the nation's largest price-sensitive and globally-competitive industrial customers. A six -month extension will allow the them to gain insight into the pandemic's impact on customers' energy needs which is critical for long term energy planning.
- As circumstances have changed these past several months, so too has the time and focus of Minnesota Power's employees, customers, and stakeholders

Sincerely,

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Please see attached letter regarding the matter of Minnesota Power's 2015 Integrated Resource Plan.

The City of Hoyt Lakes appreciates this consideration.

Chris J. Vreeland

Mayor

City of Hoyt Lakes

From: [Tamara Lowney](#)
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Dear Mr. Will Seuffert,

Please approve the Minnesota Power request for a 6 month delay from the submittal deadline of October 2020 to a new filing date of April 2021. Itasca Economic Development Corporation is an active participant in the stakeholder engagement process and this extension would allow for our continued participation. Please see attached letter of support for information.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

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