

July 28, 2015

Daniel P. Wolf
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350
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RE: **Corrected Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources**
Docket No. E999/M-15-462

Dear Mr. Wolf,

On July 24, 2015, the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) submitted comments on Solar Energy Standard (SES) annual reports. Table 1, Summary of Utility SES Reporting contained an error for the estimated solar energy needed to meet 2020 SES for Otter Tail Power Company. The correct amount of energy Otter Tail is estimated to need to meet its 2020 SES obligation should be 36,561 MWhs, not 365,561 MWhs. Attached is a corrected copy of Table 1.

The Department regrets any inconvenience the error may have caused. The Department continues to recommend the Commission find the SES Reports in compliance with its Orders.

Sincerely,

/s/ SUSAN L. PEIRCE
Rates Analyst

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Table 1: Summary of Utility Reporting on SES

	IPL	Otter Tail	Minnesota Power	Xcel
2014 MN retail sales (MWh)	857,399	2,320,436	9,391,216	30,741,426
Excluded Sales	9,944	0	6,336,953	0
Annual solar generation (MWh)	0	71		
Est. solar capacity needed to meet 2020 SES	7	28	32	287
Est. solar energy needed to meet 2020 SES (MWhs)	13,335	36,561	55,035	465,500
Breakdown of Solar RECs generated after 8/1/2013: No. of facilities (Capacity kW)				
a. Receiving Value of Solar	0	0	0	0
b. Community Solar Gardens	0	0	0	0
c. Facilities under net metering	0	15 (146 kW)	132 net metered customers; customers have the RECs	0
d. Utility-owned	0	0	0	0
e. Solar PPA	0	0	0	0
f. Incentive Program	0	2 facilities with incentives, in process of obtaining RECs	0	0

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Sharon Ferguson, hereby certify that I have this day, served copies of the following document on the attached list of persons by electronic filing, certified mail, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Minnesota Department of Commerce
Corrected Comments**

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Dated this 28th day of July 2015

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