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RE: In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Route Permit and Partial Exemption for the Fond du Lac Line 4 Project in Saint Louis and Carlton Counties
PUC Docket Number: PL-9/PPL-18-752

Dear Mr. Bruce,

On April 26th, 2019, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (MPUC) and the Minnesota Department of Commerce (DOC) issued a Notice of Public Information Meetings and Comment Period regarding the Route Permit Application and Partial Exemption for the Fond du Lac Line 4 Project in St. Louis and Carlton Counties.

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) has reviewed the application regarding the proposed project and has determined that the project area does not directly affect the state trunk highway system.

There may be highway-related considerations associated with oversize/overweight hauling of the pipeline and equipment. Specifically, these large loads of freight are often transported along nearby interregional corridors (IRC) such as US 2. Because MnDOT's highway construction activities could impact the Applicant's plans to haul oversize loads to the proposed site, the Applicant will need to coordinate with MnDOT when planning such loads.

Any pipeline construction work, including delivery or storage of materials or equipment that may affect MnDOT right of way is of concern such that MnDOT should be involved in planning and coordinating such activities. Please note that if work is required within MnDOT right of way for temporary or permanent access, such work should be coordinated with MnDOT Engineering Specialist Wayne Scheer, District 1 Permits at (218) 725-2780 or Wayne.Scheer@state.mn.us.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.

Sincerely,

Stacy Kotch Egstad
Utility Routing & Siting Coordinator
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cc: Wayne Scheer – MnDOT District 1 Permits

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