

Attachment 1

Attachment inadvertently omitted from the Department's June 18, 2014 Reply Comments in Docket Nos. E015/M-14-155 and E015/M-14-166.

State of Minnesota
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
DIVISION OF ENERGY RESOURCES

Utility Information Request

Docket Number: E015/M-14-166

Date of Request: February 28, 2014

Requested From: Minnesota Power

Response Due: March 12, 2014

Analyst Requesting Information: Samir Ouanes

Type of Inquiry: Financial Rate of Return Rate Design
 Engineering Forecasting Conservation
 Cost of Service CIP Other:

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	
2	<p>Reference: MP's February 24, 2014 petition (Petition) for approval of the Erie Mine Site Service Schedule (proposed Schedule)</p> <p>The Petition (page 6) states that "Minnesota Power proposes to eliminate the maximum contractual term of six years in order to allow the <u>one</u> existing customer, Mesabi Nugget, to continue taking service on the EMSS Schedule under the currently applicable conditions." (emphasis added)</p> <p>Given that the application of the proposed Schedule is limited to only one customer, please provide MP's complete analysis showing that approval of the proposed Schedule will not result in rates that are unreasonably preferential, or discriminatory to (existing, potential or future) customers <u>located outside of the applicable area.</u></p> <p><u>Response:</u></p> <p>The EMSS Schedule is applicable to customer(s) located at the former Erie Mine Site or, subject to the prior written approval of the Company, at any location in or around Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota where service can be taken from the Company's 138 kV transmission line. The rationale for this restricted application of the EMSS Schedule is that the available transmission</p>

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capability from the Taconite Harbor plant is not enough to support all of the plant's installed generating capacity. The corresponding excess capacity is available for local load only. Therefore, approval of the proposed EMSS Schedule would not result in rates that are unreasonably preferential, or discriminatory to customers located outside of the applicable area. This is consistent with the conclusion of the Department of Commerce in its June 9, 2003 Comments regarding the Company's original petition for approval of the EMSS Schedule in Docket No. E-015/M-03-717 (Page 2, Section III, paragraph 2).

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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.

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Dated this 19th day of June 2014

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