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VIA E-FILING

Dr. Burl W. Haar Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
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Re: In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Request for Approval
of Cost Recovery under Boswell Energy Center Unit 4
Emission Reduction Rider (BEC4 Rider)
Docket No. E015/M-13-1166
Minnesota Power's Reply Comments

Dear Dr. Haar:

Minnesota Power's hereby electronically submits this letter in response to the Minnesota Department of Commerce – Division of Energy Resources' ("Department") February 27, 2014 Comments in the above-referenced Docket. Minnesota Power appreciates the Department's thorough review of the Company's filing seeking approval of a rate adjustment under its Boswell Energy Center Unit 4 Emission Reduction Rider ("BEC4 Rider") and provides the requested information.

In its Order dated November 5, 2013, in Docket No. E015/M-12-920, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") ordered: "The Company shall include in its annual rate factor adjustment filing an update on its discussions with the EPA to resolve the notice of violation and shall identify and explain any costs related to the notice of violation included in its rate factor adjustment filings or other rate proceeding." The Department concluded in its Initial Comments that Minnesota Power met the first half of the requirement to update the Commission on discussions with the EPA, but the Company did not meet the second half of the requirement to "identify and explain any costs related to the notice of violation included in its rate factor adjustment filings." The Department recommended that Minnesota Power provide that information in the Company's reply comments. In response to the Department's request, Minnesota Power reports that there are no costs related to the notice of violation in the rate adjustment filing that is the subject of the above-referenced Docket.

Minnesota Power appreciates the opportunity to provide reply comments and respectfully requests that the Commission approve the Company's rate adjustment under its BEC4 Rider.

Please contact me at the number or the email address provided if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lori Hoyum". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Lori Hoyum

cc: Service List

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Kristie Lindstrom of the City of Duluth, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, says that on the 6th day of March, 2014, she served Minnesota Power's Reply Comments in Docket No. E015/M-13-1166 to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission and the Energy Resources Division of the Minnesota Department of Commerce via electronic filing. The remaining parties on the attached service list were served as so indicated on the list.

/s/ Kristie Lindstrom

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 6th day of March, 2014.

/s/ Sheryl Miskowski

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