



# Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

## Decisions

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Thursday, October 22, 2020

9:15 AM

Online via Webex

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### INTRODUCTION

### DECISION ITEMS

1. \* **E229/TL-18-755**                      **Detroit Lakes Public Utilities**  
In the Matter of the Application of Detroit Lakes Public Utilities for a High-Voltage Transmission Line Route Permit in Becker County.
  1. Should the Commission find that the environmental assessment and the record created at the public hearing adequately address the issues identified in the scoping decision?
  2. Should the Commission issue a route permit identifying a specific route and permit conditions for the Detroit Lakes Public Utility 115 kV High Voltage Transmission Line Project in Lake View Township, Becker County? (PUC: **Kaluzniak**)

**Attachments:**     [Briefing Papers](#)

**Found environmental assessment adequate; issued route permit.**

2. \*\* **E017/M-19-530;**                      **Otter Tail Power Company**  
**E017/M-18-748;**  
**E017/GR-15-1033**  
In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Request for Determination that Transmission Investments are Eligible for Recovery Through the Company's Transmission Cost Recovery Rider;  
In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of a Transmission Cost Recovery Rider Annual Adjustment;  
In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company for Authority to Increase Rates for Electric Service in Minnesota.
  1. Are the Lake Norden Area Transmission Improvement Project, the Rugby 41.6 kV Breaker Station, and the Granville Junction Breaker Station eligible for recovery through the Transmission Cost Recovery Rider under Minn. Stat. § 216B.16 subd. 7b?
  2. Should the Commission approve Otter Tail Power's revised 2021 transmission cost recovery rider rate as provided in its August 24, 2020 Reply Comments? (PUC: **Bender, Manning, Hetherington**)

**Attachments:**    [Briefing Papers](#)  
                                  [Decision Alternatives](#)

**Authorized cost recovery; approved rate adjustment; required additional filings.**

3.    **\*\* E017/AA-19-297                      Otter Tail Power Company**  
      In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for Approval of the Annual Forecasted Rates for its Energy Adjustment Rider, Rate Schedule 13.01.

1.    Should the Commission require Otter Tail Power Company to refund the \$3,830,110 overcollection of second quarter 2020 fuel costs as soon as possible?
2.    Should the Commission require Otter Tail Power Company to refund the \$4,553,564 overcollection of third quarter 2020 fuel costs as soon as possible?  
(PUC: **Alonso, Ubani**)

**Attachments:**    [Briefing Papers](#)

**Required refunds.**

4.    **\* E017/M-18-380                      Otter Tail Power Company**  
      In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for Approval of Tariff Changes to Facilitate Implementation of A New Customer Information System.

What action should the Commission take on the recommendation to cease periodic reports that track inquiries related to the company's CIS implementation? (PUC: **Martone**)

**Attachments:**    [Briefing Papers](#)  
                                  [Revised Decision Options](#)

**Accepted modifications to reporting requirement.**

**THE FOLLOWING ITEM WILL NOT BE HEARD BEFORE 10:45 AM**

5.    **\*\* E,G999/CI-08-133                      All Electric and Gas Utilities with Approved  
                                  DSM Financial Incentives**  
      In the Matter of Commission Review of Utility Performance Incentives for Energy Conservation Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.241 Subd. 2c.

Should the Commission modify the current Demand Side Management Shared-Savings Financial Incentive Mechanism for implementation in the 2021-2023 triennium? (PUC: **O'Grady**)

**Attachments:**    [Briefing Papers](#)

**Approved incentives for energy conservation; workshops to continue.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**\* One star indicates agenda item is unusual but is not disputed.**

**\*\* Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)**

**Please note: For the complete record, please see eDockets**