



Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Decisions

Thursday, October 3, 2019

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

DECISION ITEMS

1. **E228,148/SA-19-504** **City of Delano;
Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association**
In the Matter of the Joint Request of the City of Delano and Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association to Update Electric Service Territory Records. (PUC: Terwilliger; DOC: Lusti)

Attachments: [DOC Comments 9-5-19](#)

Approved service territory transfer.

2. **E286,112/SA-19-526** **North Branch Water and Light Commission
of the City of North Branch;
East Central Energy**
In the Matter of the Joint Request of North Branch Water and Light Commission of the City of North Branch and East Central Energy to Update Electric Service Territory Records. (PUC: Terwilliger; DOC: Lusti)

Attachments: [DOC Comments 9-11-19](#)

Approved service territory transfer.

3. **A. E999/M-19-12;** **All Electric Utilities Subject to
E999/PR-02-1240** **Minnesota Statute §216B.1691**
In the Matter of Commission Consideration and Determination of Compliance with Renewable Energy Standards for Year 2018;
In the Matter of the Green Pricing Verification Filing Process.

What action should the Commission take on the RES plans filed by electric utilities for compliance year 2018? (PUC: **Martone**)

- B. E002/M-18-78;** **All Electric Utilities Subject to
E999/PR-18-12;** **Minnesota Statute §216B.1691
E015/PR-02-1240**
In the Matter of Commission Consideration and Determination of Compliance with

Renewable Energy Standards;
 In the Matter of Renewable Energy Certificate Compliance filing for year 2017;
 In the Matter of the Green Pricing Verification Filing Process.

What action should the Commission take on the RES plans filed by electric utilities for compliance years 2016 and 2017? (PUC: **Martone**)

Attachments: [3A Briefing Papers](#)
[3B Briefing Papers](#)
[PUBLIC Attachment to Briefing Papers](#)

A. Found utilities in compliance with RES.

B. Found utilities in compliance with RES.

4. * **E002/M-13-867 Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy**
 In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company, dba Xcel Energy, for Approval of Its Proposed Community Solar Garden Program.

Should the Commission approve changes to the current reporting requirements for Xcel Energy's Community Solar Garden (CSG) program? (PUC: **Rosier**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

Amended CSG reporting requirements and directed further discussion.

5. * **G6956/M-15-856; Community Co-ops of Lake Park;**
G6960/M-16-214; United Natural Gas, LLC;
G6977/M-17-186; Lake Region Energy Services;
G6915/M-13-672; Dooley's Natural Gas I, LLC;
G6915/M-16-756 Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC
 In the Matter of Community Co-ops of Lake Park's Petition for an Exemption for a Small Gas Utility Franchise;
 In the Matter of a Petition by United Natural Gas, LLC for approval of its Request for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption;
 In the Matter of a Petition by Lake Region Energy Services, Inc. for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption;
 In the Matter of the Petition of Dooley's Natural Gas LLC for Exemption for a Small Gas Utility;
 In the Matter of a Petition by Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption.

Should the Commission approve the annual compliance filings from Community Co-ops, UNG, LRES, Dooley's I, and Dooley's II? (PUC: **Bartusch**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

Filings approved.**6. PULLED**

* ~~IP7006/CN-19-309~~ ~~Buffalo Ridge Wind Energy, LLC~~

In the Matter of the Application of Buffalo Ridge Wind Energy, LLC for a Certificate of Need for the 109.2 MW Large Wind Energy Conversion System in Lincoln County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission accept the certificate of need application as substantially complete?
2. Should the Commission direct that the application be evaluated using the informal review process or refer the application to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case proceeding?
3. Should the Commission vary the time limits of its rules that relate to application completeness and date of the information/ER scoping meeting? (PUC: **Panait**)

7. PULLED

* ~~IP7006/AWS-19-394~~ ~~Buffalo Ridge Wind, LLC~~

In the Matter of the Application of Buffalo Ridge Wind Energy, LLC for a Site Permit for the 109.2 MW Large Wind Energy Conversion System in Lincoln County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission accept the site permit application as substantially complete?
2. What procedural process should the Commission authorize for evaluation of the site permit application?
3. Should the Commission vary the time limits of its rules that relate to application completeness and draft permit issuance? (PUC: **Panait**)

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)**

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