

## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: December 13, 2019

### **In the Matter of Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s (GMG's), Petition for Approval to Change Its Gas Affordability Program**

**PUC Docket Number(s):**      **G-022/M-15-855**

**Comment Period:**      Initial comment period closes January 17, 2020 at 4:30pm  
Reply comment period closes January 27, 2020 at 4:30pm

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**Issue:** Should the Commission accept GMG's Gas Affordability Program (GAP) Evaluation Report for 2016-2018?

#### **Topics Open for Comment:**

- GMG's Gas Affordability Program Evaluation Report for 2016-2018, and
- Any other issues or concerns related to this matter.

#### **Background**

On September 25, 2015, Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. (GMG or the Company) filed a Petition with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to revise its Gas Affordability Program (GAP). The Petition proposed revisions to GMG's GAP. One of the most significant of these proposed changes was the Company's intention to contract with the Energy Cents Coalition (ECC) for certain administrative functions required for GMG's GAP.

On December 1, 2015, the Commission issued its order, in this docket, adopting the recommendations of the Department of Commerce and approved GMG's proposed changes to its Gas Affordability Program for implementation as of January 1, 2016. The Commission also required GMG, in addition to its annual GAP reporting requirements, to file a comprehensive evaluation report by March 31, 2019, discussing and assessing its GAP from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.

On March 28, 2019 GMG filed its Gas Affordability Program Evaluation Report for 2016-2018, requested Commission approval of its GAP Evaluation Report and authorization for the Program to be made permanent in its current form.

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