

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: July 21, 2021

In the Matter of Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company's Application for Authority to Change its Minnesota Electric Rates and Rules to Conform to its existing Wisconsin Rates and Rules

PUC Docket Number(s): E-016/GR-21-557

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes August 16, 2021 at 4:30pm
Reply comment period closes August 26, 2021 at 4:30pm

Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Commission.

Issue: Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company's request to increase its rates, the adequacy and quality of the Company's service, and any other related matter.

Topic(s) Open for Comment:

- Should Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company's request to increase rates be approved?
- Should Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company's variance requests be granted?
- Are there any other issues or concerns related to this matter?

Background

On July 15, 2021, Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company (NWECC) filed a petition with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting a general rate increase of \$439.64 or 0.51% per year, and a variance from Minnesota Rule regarding late payment charges. The NWECC stated that it would not implement new rates until it receives an order authorizing it to do so from the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The NWECC made this request in this docket so that, if it is approved, the Company's Minnesota rates and rules will conform to the Company's recently approved Wisconsin rates and rules. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, subd. 12a, NWECC qualifies for the small electric utility exemption from Minn. Stat. § 216B.16.

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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul MN 55101

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**Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON GENERATE RATE INCREASE**

Docket Number **E-016/GR-21-557**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2021

/s/ Chrishna Beard

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