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STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON COMPLETENESS OF
CERTIFICATE OF NEED AND ROUTE PERMIT APPLICATION**

Issued: January 21, 2015

**In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy and Minnesota Power for a
Certificate of Need and a Route Permit for the Menahga Area 115 kV Transmission Line
Project in Hubbard, Wadena and Becker Counties, Minnesota**

PUC Docket Number: ET2, E015/CN-14-787 (Certificate of Need)
ET2, E015/TL-14-797 (Route Permit)

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes on February 4, 2015, at 4:30 p.m.
Reply comment period closes on February 11, 2015, at 4:30 p.m.

Topics Open for Comment:

- Does the certificate of need application contain the information required by Minnesota Rules parts 7849.0240 and 7849.0260 through 7849.0340
- Does the route permit application contain the information required by Minnesota Rules parts 7850.1900?
- Are there any contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the application?
- Should the Commission appoint an advisory task force?

Project Description: On January 15, 2015, Great River Energy and Minnesota Power filed a combined certificate of need and route permit application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to construct a new 22.5 mile, 115 kV overhead transmission line and three associated substations in Hubbard, Wadena and Becker counties, Minnesota.

Submit Public Comments:

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