



# Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

## PUC Agenda Meeting

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Thursday, March 19, 2026

10:00 AM

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### INTRODUCTION

### DECISION ITEMS

1. [Details 2025-070](#)

- \* **IP7149/ESS-24-406;**      **Crane Energy Storage LLC;**  
**IP7149/ESS-24-407**      **Sandhill Energy Storage LLC**

In the Matter of the Application of Crane Energy Storage LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 200MW Crane Energy Storage Project in Olmsted County, Minnesota;  
In the Matter of the Application of Sandhill Energy Storage LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 200MW Sandhill Energy Storage Project in Olmsted County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission adopt the Administrative Law Judge's Finding of Fact, Conclusion of Law, and Recommendations?
2. Should the Commission find that the environmental assessment and the record created at the public hearings address the issues identified in the scoping decision?
3. Should the Commission issue site permits for both the 200MW Crane and 200MW Sandhill Energy Storage Projects? (PUC: **Harvieux**)

**Attachments:**

[Briefing Papers](#)  
[Draft Site Permit 24-407](#)  
[Draft Site Permit 24-406](#)  
[Staff Revised Decision Option 6n](#)

**2. [Details 2026-001](#)****\* ET2/TL-25-269****Great River Energy;  
Lake Region Electric Cooperative**

In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy and Lake Region Electric Cooperative for a Route Permit for the Otto Tap 115 kV Transmission Line Project in Otter Tail County, Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission grant a route permit for the proposed project?
2. If granted, what additional conditions or requirements should be included in the route permit?
3. Should the Commission approve and adopt the applicants' proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions for the project as amended by staff? (PUC: **Janezich, Steinhauer**)

**Attachments:**[Briefing Papers](#)**3. [Details 2026-037](#)****\* E002/M-25-370****Northern States Power Co. d/b/a Xcel Energy**

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Petition for approval of 2026 Renewable Development Fund (RDF) Rider factor and approve the 2025 RDF annual Report.

1. Should the Commission approve Xcel Energy's Renewable Development Fund (RDF) Rider Factor for 2026?
2. Should the Commission approve Xcel Energy's 2025 Renewable Development fund annual Report? (PUC: **Willette**)

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

## ADJOURNMENT

**\* One star indicates that an agenda item is not disputed.**

**\*\* Two stars indicate that an agenda item is disputed and there may be legal, procedural, or policy issues to be resolved.**

**\*\*\* Three stars indicate a complex or lengthy disputed agenda item that may have significant legal, procedural, or policy issues to be resolved.**

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