



**Minnesota Public Utilities  
Commission  
Decisions  
PUC Agenda Meeting**

121 7th Place East  
Suite 350  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

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Tuesday, October 18, 2016

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

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**INTRODUCTION**

**ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS**

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

**DECISION ITEMS**

1.                   \* **IP6961/WS-16-686           Blazing Star Wind Farm, LLC**  
In the Matter of the Application of Blazing Star Wind Farm, LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 200 Megawatt Blazing Star Wind Project in Lincoln County, Minnesota.
  - Should the Commission accept the site permit application as substantially complete?
  - What procedural process should the Commission authorize for evaluation of the site permit application?
  - Should the Commission vary the time limits of its rules that relate to application completeness and draft permit issuance? (PUC: **Ek**)

**Accepted application as complete; combined as possible site permit and CON review process; requested ALJ preside over hearing process; designated administrative responsibilities; varied rules to extend time.**
  
2.                   \*\* **P6850/M-15-833           WiMacTel, Inc**  
In the Matter of WiMacTel., Inc. dba Intelicall Operator Services Revised Tariff.  
  
Should the Commission grant the 30-day extension to WiMacTel relating to the pay phone signage updates? (PUC: **McCarthy**)  
  
**Granted 10 day extension (October 28, 2016) to submit pictures of signage.**

3. **E017/PA-16-441** **Otter Tail Power Company**  
In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Transfer of Property. (PUC: Schwieger; DOC: Kamara)

**Approved transfer of property; required Otter Tail and Xcel to file accounting entries for transaction within 60 days of closing.**

4. **\*\* G004/GR-15-879** **Great Plains Natural Gas Company**  
In the Matter of the Petition by Great Plains Natural Gas Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., for Authority to Increase Natural Gas Rates in Minnesota.

Should the Commission clarify its September 6, 2016 Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order? (PUC: **Alonso**)

The Commission has the authority to accept or decline a petition for reconsideration with or without a hearing or oral argument (Minnesota Rules 7829.3000, Subpart 6). In other words, a decision on a petition for reconsideration can be made without taking oral comments at the Commission meeting.

**Withdrawn.**

5. **\*\* E015/M-14-962** **Minnesota Power**  
In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2015 Renewable Resources Rider and Factor.

Should the Commission decide the basis to use in determining the amount of North Dakota Investment Tax Credits ("ND ITCs") to reflect in revenue requirements, or should it defer this decision to Minnesota Power's next general rate case? (PUC: **Morrissey, Bender**)

**Included all N.D. ITCs realized in tax return filings or otherwise monetized in Company's revenue requirements; required amortization of actual N.D. ITCs over remaining life of projects; commenced amortization of tax credit inclusion in revenue requirements in next renewable resource rider filing; required filings if material or legislative changes.**

## 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)

Please note: For the complete record, please see eDockets