

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Decisions

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PUC Agenda Meeting

Thursday, January 28, 2016 9:30 AM Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS

DELIBERATION ITEMS

DECISION ITEMS

1. ** ET2,E015/CN-14-787; Great River Energy; ET2,E015/TL-14-797 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of the Joint Applications 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.

- Should the Commission find that the environmental assessment is adequate?
- Should the Commission adopt the applicants' proposed findings and conclusions and also suggested permit revisions?
- Should the Commission grant a certificate of need for the Menahga Area 115 kV Transmission Line Project?
- Should the Commission issue a route permit identifying a specific route and permit conditions for the Menahga Area 115 kV Transmission Line Project? (PUC: Panait)

Granted certificate of need and route permit.

2. * G022/S-15-956 Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. (GMG)

In the Matter of the Petition of Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. for Approval of 2016 Capital Structure and Permission to Issue Securities.

Should the Commission adopt the Department's recommendation to modify GMG's petition for approval of capital structure and permission to issue securities? (PUC: **Krishnan, Kaml**)

Granted petition with conditions.

3. * E015/M-15-699 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Petition for Approval of an Electric Service Agreement between Magnetation, LLC and Minnesota Power

Should the Commission approve Minnesota Power's Electric Service Agreement with Magnetation? (PUC: **Kaml, Krishnan**)

Approved electric service agreement; directed Company to work with large power customers to incorporate self-generation into future resource-planning decisions.

* E015/M-15-1000 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of the Petition of Minnesota Power for Approval of an Amended and Restated Electric Service Agreement Between ArcelorMittal Minorca Mine Inc. and Minnesota Power (PUC: Krishnan; DOC: Wils)

Approved electric service agreement.

5. ** E015/M-15-773 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of the Petition of Minnesota Power for Approval of Investments and Expenditures in the Camp Ripley Solar Project for Recovery through Minnesota Power's Renewable Resources Rider Under Minn. Stat. § 216B.1645 and Related Tariff Modifications.

- Should the Commission approve MP's request for approval to recover investments and expenditures related to the Camp Ripley 10 MW solar project?
- Should the Commission approve MP's request to add a Solar Renewable Factor separate from the existing Renewable Resource Factor to the Company's Renewable Resource Rider in order to allocate project costs between solar-exempt and solar-paying customers?
- Should the Commission approve MP's request to add a Solar Energy Adjustment (SEA) in addition to the existing Fuel and Purchased Energy Adjustment (FPE Rider) in order to allocate project costs between solar-exempt and solar-paying customers?
- Should the Commission approve MP's request to adjust its current FPE Rider to exclude solar costs and energy?
- Should the Commission approve MP's request to itemize on customer bills the proposed Solar Energy Adjustment (SEA) and the Solar Renewable Factor? (PUC: Mackenzie)

Granted petition subject to requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

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- * 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)

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