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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Dr. Burl W. Haar Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2013 Annual Report
Concerning Safety, Reliability, Service Quality,
And Proposed Annual Reliability Standards
Docket No. E015/M-13-254

REPLY COMMENTS

Dear Dr. Haar:

Minnesota Power submitted its 2013 Safety, Reliability, Service Quality Report ("Report") to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") on March 24, 2013. Through the Report, Minnesota Power provided the Commission, Department of Commerce-Division of Energy Resources ("Department") and other stakeholders, information detailing the Company's efforts and commitment to provide safe, reliable and cost effective electric service to its unique customer base.

On July 31, 2013 the Department submitted its Comments in the above-referenced Docket. The Department acknowledged that Minnesota Power met all reporting requirements and recommended that the Commission accept Minnesota Power's filing and set 2013 reliability goals at the levels proposed by Minnesota Power within the original Report.

Minnesota Power appreciates the Department's time and effort in reviewing the Report, and validation of the Company's efforts to provide meaningful and concise information through this Report. The inclusion of the NERC Facilities Alert section was a new addition to this Report. The Department's recognition of this new information is appreciated and serves as guidance for the Company in what type of information is relevant to include in future Reports.

Respectfully submitted,



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Kristie Lindstrom of the City of Duluth, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, says that on the 12th day of August, 2013, she served Minnesota Power's Reply Comments in Docket No. E015/M-13-254 to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission and the Energy Resources Division of the Minnesota Department of Commerce via electronic filing. The remaining parties on the attached service list were served as so indicated on the list.

/s/ Kristie Lindstrom

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 12th day of August, 2013.

/s/ Sheryl A Miskowski

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