Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 12, 2013 9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

PUC Agenda Meeting

INTRODUCTION

DELIBERATION ITEMS

DECISION ITEMS

1. E017/M-13-971 Otter Tail Power Company

A Request by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of a Modification to its Air Conditioning Control Rider, Section 14.08.

(PUC: Rebholz; DOC: Zajicek)

Attachments: DOC Comments 11-15-13

Approved

2. * E017/M-13-648 Otter Tail Power Company

OTP Power Company's (OTP or the Company), Request for Approval of its Environmental Upgrades Cost Recovery Rider for the Big Stone Plant.

Should the Commission grant OTP's request for an Environmental Upgrades Cost Recovery Rider, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §216B.1692?

What costs are appropriate for recovery under an Environmental Upgrades Cost Recovery Rider? (PUC: **Kaml**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 11-21-13

Approved

* E001/M-13-249 Interstate Power and Light Company

In the Matter of Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) 2012 Annual Safety, Reliability, Service Quality Report, and Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013.

Should the Commission Accept IPL's Safety, Reliability, service Quality Reports for 2012 and Its Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013? (PUC: **Fournier**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Report accepted; reliability standards set.

4. * E017/M-13-253 Otter Tail Power Company

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's ("Otter Tail") 2012 Annual Safety, Reliability. Service Quality Report, and Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013.

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Should the Commission Accept Otter Tail's Safety, Reliability, service Quality Reports for 2012 and Its Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013? (PUC: **Fournier**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Report accepted; reliability standards set.

* E015/M-13-254 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of the Minnesota Power Company's (MP) 2012 Annual Safety, Reliability, Service Quality Report, and Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013.

Should the Commission Accept MP's Safety, Reliability, service Quality Reports for 2012 and Its Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013? (PUC: **Fournier**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Report accepted; reliability standards set.

* E002/M-13-255 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (XCEL) 2012 Annual Safety, Reliability, Service Quality Report, and Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013.

Should the Commission Accept XCEI/s Safety, Reliability, service Quality Reports for 2012 and Its Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013? (PUC: **Fournier**)

<u>Attachments:</u> PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Report accepted; reliability standards set.

7. * E016/M-13-379 Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company

In the Matter of the Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company (NWEC) 2012 Annual Safety, Reliability, Service Quality Report, and Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013.

Should the Commission Accept NWEC's Safety, Reliability, service Quality Reports for 2012 and Its Proposed Annual Reliability Standards for 2013? (PUC: **Fournier**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Report accepted; reliability standards set.

8. * E002/M-11-939; Northern States Power Company

E002/M-11-807 d/b/a Xcel Energy

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Request for Modification of Prior Order Provision for 2012-2014 Triennial Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Accrual; Credit Mechanism for a Department of Energy Settlement Payment with Deferred Accounting. (PUC: Dasinger; DOC: Campbell)

Attachments: DOC Comments 11-8-13

Approved

9. ** E002/GR-13-868 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company for Authority to Increase Rates for Electric Service in the State of Minnesota.

Should this filing be accepted, the proposed rates suspended, this matter referred to the Office of Administrative hearings, and interim rates set as requested by the Company? (PUC: **Dasinger**,

Morrissey, Alonso, Kaml, Stalpes, Krishnan, Mackenzie, Bahn, Stueve, Harding)

Attachments: PUC Briefing papers 12-4-13

PUC Briefing Papers - ERRATA 12-6-13

Filing accepted. Rates suspended. Matter set for contested case proceedings. Interim rates approved.

10. E002/MR-13-869 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of a New Base Cost of Energy.

Should the Commission approve Xcel's proposed new base cost of energy? (PUC: **Morrissey**, **Alonso**)

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>PUC Briefing Papers 12-10-13</u>

Approved Xcel's base cost of energy subject to revision/refund

11. * E999/R-13-729 All Electric

In the Matter of Possible Amendments to Rules Governing Cogeneration and Small Power Production, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 7835.

Whether to appoint an advisory committee. (PUC: Kahlert)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 11-26-13

Advisory Committee established

12. ** E017/M-13-609; Otter Tail Power Company;

E002/M-13-642; Xcel Energy;

E001/M-13-667; Interstate Power and Light Company;

E015/M-13-770 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Request to Amend the Standby Service Tariff;

In the Matter of the Petition for Approval of Tariff Modifications Implementing Net Metered Facility Provisions, Standby Service Exemptions, and Meter Aggregations Pursuant to the 2013 Omnibus Energy Bill;

In the Matter of Interstate Power and Light Company's Request for Approval of Changes to its Standby Tariff;

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Request for Approval to Changes to its Standby Tariff.

1) What action should the Commission take on the utility filings? (PUC: **Rebholz**, **Mackenzie**)

Attachments: PUC Briefing Papers 12-4-13

Approved in part, additional requirements set.

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)