

July 27, 2022

Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2147

RE: **Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources**
Docket No. E309, E124/SA-22-281

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Attached are the comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) in the following matter:

The Joint Petition for Approval of a Permanent Service Territory Transfer Between Shakopee Public Utilities Commission and Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative.

Kathleen Brennan, with McGrann Shea Carnival Straughn & Lamb, Chtd., filed the petition on June 8, 2022.

The Department's analysis finds the petition meets the statutory requirements regarding service area transfers as indicated on the attached Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) approved checklist. Therefore, the Department recommends the Commission **approve the requested permanent service area transfer** and is available to answer any questions the Commission may have.

Sincerely,

/s/ FELICIA CULLEN
Financial Analyst

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Attachment



Before the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

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CHECKLIST FOR PROCESSING AGREED UPON SERVICE AREA TRANSFERS AND EXCEPTIONS

- ☒ A cover letter with the submitter's full contact information, including where to provide electronic service.
- ☒ A joint letter explaining the change
- ☒ Contact information for both utilities: Name, title, phone number, work address, email address.
- ☒ Contact information, including email address, of the individuals who will update the electronic service territory map after Commission approval.
- ☒ Legal description of the property. See Department Attachment 1.
- ☒ Short explanation of why the agreement is consistent with Minn. Stat. § 216B.39 at page 2.

Filing is related to:

- ☒ A permanent boundary change, or
Service by exception. The parties agree the limited right to serve by exception does not convey permanent rights to serve the exception area.
- ☒ Settlement Agreement, if applicable.
If yes, signed by authorized representatives of both utilities. See Department Attachment 1.
- ☒ A digital (PDF) map with the proposed transfer or exception clearly outlined at page 1 of Filing Attachment 2. See Department Attachment 1.
- ☒ Affected customers received written notice, including utility and Commission contact information. See Department Attachment 2.