



# Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

## Decisions

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Thursday, September 20, 2018

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

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### INTRODUCTION

### DECISION ITEMS

1. **\*\* E999/CI-03-802 All Commission-Regulated Electric Utilities**  
In the Matter of an Investigation into the Appropriateness of Electric Energy Cost Adjustments.
  1. Should the Commission change the implementation date of the New Annual Fuel Clause Adjustment Requirements to January 1, 2020?
  2. What new Annual Fuel Clause Adjustment review process should the Commission adopt?
  3. What action should the Commission take regarding unresolved issues? (PUC: **Alonso, Bender, Bonnett**)

**Implementation date revised to 1/1/2020; Monthly AA filings discontinued; Further implementation modifications established; Further stakeholder development of issues required.**

**The following items will not be heard before 10:30 AM**

2. **\*\* E999/R-18-518 Goodhue Wind Truth**  
In the Matter of the Possible Rulemaking to Amend Minnesota Rules Chapter 7854.
  1. Should the Commission undertake a rulemaking to amend Minnesota Rules Chapter 7854, and if so, should the Commission appoint an advisory task force? (PUC: **DeBleeckere**)

**Denied rulemaking petition without prejudice.**

3. **\*\* IP6946/WS-17-410 Freeborn Wind Energy LLC**  
In the Matter of the Application of Freeborn Wind Energy LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the 84 MW Freeborn Wind Farm in Freeborn County.
  1. Should the Commission adopt the administrative law judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations?
  2. Should the Commission grant a site permit for the up to 84 megawatt Freeborn Wind Farm in Freeborn County? (PUC: **Kaluzniak**)

**Adopted ALJ Report with the exception of Finding of Fact 206 with staff modifications; Required that preconstruction noise analysis be updated; authorized issuance of draft site permit authorized by the PUC in 1/30/18 Order with recommended permit amendments; and authorized further staff refinements to ALJ report for consistency.**

- 4. \* IP6946/TL-17-322 Freeborn Wind Energy LLC**  
In the Matter of the Application of Freeborn Wind Energy LLC for a Route Permit for the Freeborn Wind Transmission Line in Freeborn County.
1. Should the Commission adopt the Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation?
  2. Should the Commission find that the environmental assessment and the record created at the public hearing adequately address the issues identified in the scoping decision?
  3. Should the Commission issue a route permit identifying a specific route and permit conditions for the Freeborn Wind 115 kV Transmission Line Project? (PUC: Kaluzniak)

**Modified, approved, and adopted ALJ FOF and Conclusion; found that EA and record addressed issues raised in scoping; issued proposed HVRL route permit with conditions; required site permit to include special conditions included in ALJ Report, and authorized Staff refinements to ALJ report for consistency.**

#### **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)**  
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