



# Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

## Decisions

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Thursday, August 16, 2018

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

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### INTRODUCTION

### DECISION ITEMS

1. \* **E,G002/D-18-162**                      **Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy**  
In the Matter of Northern States Power Company's 2018 Annual Review of Remaining Lives. (PUC: Schwieger DOC: Amevo)

**Approved petition.**

2. \* **E015/D-18-226**                      **Minnesota Power**  
In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2018 Five-Year Transmission and Distribution Plant Depreciation Petition. (PUC: Schwieger; DOC: Addonizio)

**Approved proposed average service lives and salvage rates.**

3. \* **E015/S-18-155**                      **Minnesota Power**  
In the Matter of a Petition by Minnesota Power for Approval of its 2018 Capital Structure and Authorization to Issue Securities. (PUC: Schwieger; DOC: Kundert)

**Approved capital structure and set additional requirements.**

4. \* **G008/M-16-486;**                      **CenterPoint Energy;**  
**G002/M-16-493;**                      **Xcel Energy;**  
**G004/M-16-495**                      **Great Plains Natural Gas Co.**  
In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy's Evaluation of its 2016 Gas Affordability Program;  
In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Evaluation of its 2016 Gas Affordability Program;  
In the Matter of Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s Evaluation of its 2016 Gas Affordability Program.

1. Should the Commission accept the Gas Affordability Program Stakeholders report?
2. Should the Commission adopt the Stakeholder Group's streamlined method of reporting?
3. Is CenterPoint Energy able to provide the information in the format as recommended by the Department? (PUC: **Schwieger**)

**Accepted report.**

5. **E148,221/SA-18-415** **City of Buffalo;**  
**Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association**  
 In the Matter of The Joint Request of the City of Buffalo and Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association to Update Electric Service Territory Records. (PUC: Terwilliger; DOC: Lusti)

**Approved service territory transfer.**

6. **E002,325/SA-18-389** **Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy;**  
**City of Waseca**  
 In the Matter of The Joint Request of Xcel Energy and the City of Waseca for approval of a Service Territory Agreement (Agreement) between the two utilities. (PUC: Terwilliger; DOC: Lusti)

**Approved agreement and transfer.**

7. \* **E002/RP-15-21;** **Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy;**  
**E015/RP-15-690;** **Minnesota Power;**  
**E017/RP-16-386** **Otter Tail Power Company**  
 In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2016-2030 Integrated Resource Plan;  
 In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's 2017-2031 Integrated Resource Plan;  
 In the Matter of Xcel Energy's 2016-2030 Integrated Resource Plan.

Should the Commission approve the Department's request for authority to seek specialized technical services for capacity expansion modeling? (PUC: **Stalpes**)

**Approved Department's request.**

8. \* **E002/M-18-240;** **Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy;**  
**E015/M-18-116** **Minnesota Power**  
 In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy's Electric CIP Cost Recovery;  
 In the Matter of Minnesota Power's CIP Cost Recovery. (PUC: Fournier; DOC: Zajicek, Davis)

**Approved tracker accounts.**

9. \* **G002/M-18-246;** **Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy;**  
**G011/M-18-117;** **Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation;**  
**G008/M-18-120;** **CenterPoint Energy;**  
**G004/M-18-118** **Great Plains Natural Gas Company**  
 In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy's Gas CIP Cost Recovery;  
 In the Matter of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's CIP Cost Recovery;  
 In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy's CIP Cost Recovery;  
 In the Matter of Great Plains Natural Gas Company's CIP Cost Recovery. (PUC:

Fournier; DOC: Zajicek, Byrne, Davis, Winner)

**Approved petitions.**

- 10. \*\* E002/M-17-712 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy**  
In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of the 2017 Renewable Development Fund Annual Report, Tracker Account True-Up, and 2018 Rate Rider Factor.

Should the Commission approve the 2018 RDF tracker account and rate rider factor proposed by Xcel, or take some other action?

Should the Commission take any action under Minn. Stat. § 116C.779, as revised in 2017, respecting the transfer of funds to the Renewable Development Account (RDA)?

Should the Commission take any action on the Crown Hydro RDF grant contract (AH-01) under Minn. Stat. § 116C.779, or other authority? (PUC: **Mackenzie**)

**Directed Xcel to terminate grant contract. Approved transfer payments and required compliance filing.**

**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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