

April 3, 2025

**In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Application for Approval of its
2025-2039 Integrated Resource Plan Docket No. E015/RP-25-127**

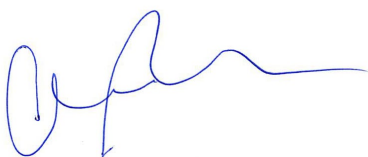
**Statement of Commissioner Audrey Partridge regarding participation
in stakeholder engagement process for Minnesota Power's 2025-2039
integrated resource plan**

For the record, in my previous employment with Center for Energy and Environment, I was a subcontractor to the Great Plains Institute as a neutral, third-party advisor and facilitator to the stakeholder engagement process for Minnesota Power's 2025-2039 integrated resource plan, which was led by the Great Plains Institute. In that role, I provided advice to Minnesota Power and the Great Plains Institute on procedural issues including meeting agendas, engaging speakers, identifying publicly available resources for educating stakeholders on the resource planning process and related issues, and assisting with stakeholder outreach.

Through that role, I was not privy to any information that is not available to the general public in the March 31, 2025 filing [20253-217022-09](#), *Appendix N: Engagement Report and Societal Cost Benefit Analysis*. I was not privy to any information or discussions about the Company's resource selection or decision-making, including what types of resources were included in modeling, modeling results, or how the Company evaluated resource options. I did not author or read the stakeholder engagement report prior to its submission. I also did not review the final societal benefit cost analysis template or any completed societal benefit cost analysis.

None of these activities resulted in preferential treatment to any person or entity or caused a loss in my ability to make an independent or impartial decision in the current matter.

None of these activities are prohibited under Minn. Rules 7845.0400 nor are they disqualifying factors as set forth in Minn. Rules 7845.0600.



Audrey Partridge