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Re: In the Matter of Utilities' Annual Reports on Progress in  
Achieving the Solar Energy Standard  
Docket No. E999/M-14-321  
**REPLY COMMENTS**

Dear Dr. Haar:

On April 10, 2014 in Docket E999/CI-13-542, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") established content requirements for utilities' annual reports detailing compliance with the Solar Energy Standard ("SES"). On April 21, 2014, the Commission issued a Notice of Reporting Requirements and Comment Period seeking comments on the content and value of the reports, and the process related to future reporting. On June 6, 2014, Minnesota Power submitted its first annual report. The Minnesota Department of Commerce - Division of Energy Recourses ("Department") submitted comments in the matter of Utilities' Annual Reports on Progress in Achieving the Solar Energy Standard on June 30, 2014.

Minnesota Power would like to thank the Department for their thorough and insightful analysis of the first annual SES reports. Minnesota Power has noted the Department's recommendations and will incorporate them into future reporting. In the event that the Commission chooses to initiate a hearing to approve the annual report, Minnesota Power will provide the required information as set forth in the order.

Minnesota Power appreciates the opportunity to provide these Reply Comments.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Peterson".

Jennifer Peterson

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Susan Romans, of the City of Duluth, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, says that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, she e-filed Minnesota Power's Reply Comments in Docket No. E999/M-14-321 on Burl Haar and Sharon Ferguson. The remaining parties on the attached Official Service List were served as indicated.



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