

June 2, 2026

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RE: Letter from the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources
Docket No. E015/M-26-126

Dear Ms. Bergman:

The Department files this letter in support of the Office of the Attorney General—Residential Utilities Division, the Citizens Utility Board of Minnesota, and CURE’s June 1, 2026 Opposition to Withdrawal recommendation that the Commission impose the following conditions on Minnesota Power’s (MP) withdrawal request:

1. By June 21, 2026, MP must file an updated Google ESA that:
 - a. Provides that all costs attributable to the Hermantown data center will be assigned to the very large customer class or subclass, once it is defined; and
 - b. Explains in detail MP’s plans for allocating costs to the data center, given its new class designation.
2. MP must file its new very-large-customer tariff proposal by July 15, 2026.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sydnie Lieb, Ph.D.
Assistant Commissioner, Office of Regulatory Analysis

ab/ad

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Sharon Ferguson, hereby certify that I have this day, served copies of the following document on the attached list of people by electronic filing, certified mail, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Minnesota Department of Commerce
Letter**

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Dated this **2nd** day of **June 2026**

/s/Sharon Ferguson

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