



Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Decisions PUC Agenda Meeting

121 7th Place East
Suite 350
Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

Thursday, July 10, 2014

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS

DELIBERATION ITEMS

DECISION ITEMS

1. * **ET2/CN-12-1235; Great River Energy**
ET2/TL-12-1245
In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy for a Certificate of Need for a 115 kV Transmission Line Project in the Elko New Market and Cleary Lake Areas in Scott and Rice Counties, Minnesota;
In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy for a Route Permit for a 115 kV Transmission Line Project in the Elko New Market and Cleary Lake Areas in Scott and Rice Counties, Minnesota.

Should the Commission adopt the Administrative Law Judge Report?
Should the Commission find that the Environmental Assessment and the record created at the public hearing on this project adequately addresses the Scoping Decision of the Department of Commerce?
Should the Commission grant a Certificate of Need for the proposed 115 Kv transmission line project?
Should the Commission grant a Route Permit for the proposed 115 kV transmission line project? If approved, should the Commission include any additional permit conditions? (PUC: **Ham**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

Granted certificate of need; issued route permit as modified.

2. * **U999/R-13-24 All Utilities**
In the Matter of Possible Amendments to Rules Governing Utility Proceeding, Practice, and Procedure, Minnesota Rules Chapter

7829, Excluding Part 7829.2550, Which is Subject to a Separate Pending Rulemaking.

Whether to publish a Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules. (PUC: **Moseng**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)
[Supplemental Decision Options](#)

Rule draft approved for Notice of Intent to Adopt

3. **E017/M-14-393** **Otter Tail Power Company**
In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Request for a Variance to the Billing Error Rules. (PUC: Fournier; DOC: La Plante)

Attachments: [DOC Comments 6-12-14](#)

Approved.

4. * **E.G001/AI-12-32;** **Interstate Power and Light Company**
E.G001/AI-12-187;
E.G001/AI-12-192;
E,G001/AI-12-792;
E.G001/AI-12-1157;
E.G001/AI-13-787;
E.G001/PA-13-788

In the Matter of IPL's Petition for Approval of a Common Facilities Capacity Agreement with its Affiliate, Franklin County Wind, LLC;
In the Matter of IPL's Petition for Approval of a Land Lease Agreement with its Affiliate, Franklin County Wind, LLC;
In the Matter of IPL's Petition for Approval of a Local Balancing Authority Agreement with its Affiliate, Franklin County Wind, LLC;
In the Matter of Interstate Power and Light Company's Transfer of Land Easements, Wind Rights, and Rights to Purchase Wind Turbines, to its Affiliate, Franklin County Wind, LLC;
Interstate Power and Light's Petition for Approval of an Affiliated-Interest Agreement with Franklin County Wind, LLC regarding a Services Agreement;
Interstate Power and Light's Petition for Approval of an Affiliated-Interest Agreement with Franklin County Wind, LLC regarding its Sale and Transfer of Land Easements, Wind Rights, and Rights to Purchase Wind Turbines to Its Affiliate - Franklin County Wind, LLC;
Interstate Power and Light's Petition for Approval of Transfer of Land Easements, Wind Rights, and Rights to Purchase Wind Turbines, to its Affiliate Franklin County Wind, LLC.

Is IPL's Wind Development Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement (Sale Agreement) with its affiliate Franklin County Wind, LLC,

consistent with the public interest?
Should the Commission approve IPL's affiliated interest agreements with Franklin County Wind, LLC in Dockets E,G001/AI-12-32, E,G001/AI-12-187, E.G001/AI-12-192, E.G001/AI-12-1157 and E.G001/AI-13-787? (PUC: **Kaml, Morrissey**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

Approved with reporting requirements

5. * **PL6580,G002/M-14-386** **Greater Minnesota Transmission, LLC; Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy**

In the Matter of Greater Minnesota Transmission, LLC's Petition for Approval of a Firm Gas Transportation Agreement with Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy.

Should the Commission approve the Firm Gas Transportation Agreement between Greater Minnesota Transmission, LLC and Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation d/b/a Xcel Energy? (PUC: **Harding**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers PUBLIC](#)

Approved.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WILL NOT BE HEARD BEFORE 10:30 AM.

6. ** **P421/AM-14-255** **CenturyLink, Inc.**
In the Matter of the Petition of CenturyLink, Inc. for Waiver of Minnesota Rule Part 7810.5800.

Should the Commission grant CenturyLink's request for variance? (PUC: **O'Grady**)

Attachments: [AFOR Plan 12-30-09](#)
[Rulemaking Order 5-22-14](#)
[Briefing Papers](#)

Denied.

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)

Please note: For the complete record, please see eDockets