

The Commission met on **Thursday, November 6, 2025**, with Chair Sieben and Commissioners Ham, Partridge, Sullivan, and Tuma present.

The following matters were taken up by the Commission:

E-017/M-25-201

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for Approval of the Annual Update to its Energy-Intensive, Trade-Exposed Rider Surcharge Rate, Rate Schedule 13.09

Commissioner Tuma moved that the Commission:

1. Approve Otter Tail's Energy-Intensive, Trade Exposed (EITE) Surcharge Rate of \$0.00038 per kWh for December 2025 through November 2026.
2. Approve Otter Tail's Proposed Revenue Requirement of \$1,010,352.
3. Approve Otter Tail's request to return to an annual filing for EITE updates.
4. Require Otter Tail to update the first sentence of the Customer Notice, replacing the word "increase" with "decrease".
5. Require Otter Tail to submit a compliance filing within ten days of the date of the order showing the final EITE surcharge rate, and all related tariff changes.

The motion passed 5 - 0.

E-017/M-25-253

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Co.'s Petition for Approval of a Thermal Technology Market Energy Rate Section 14.16

Commissioner Ham moved that the Commission:

1. Approve Otter Tail Power's Thermal Market Energy Pricing (TMEP) Rider.
2. Approve Otter Tail Power's proposed customer notice.

The motion passed 5 - 0.

E-017/M-25-218

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Co.’s Petition for Approval of a Transfer of Property, a 1.5-mile Portion of the Lake Ardoch to Oslo – 115 kV Transmission Line to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.

Commissioner Partridge moved that the Commission approve Otter Tail Power’s petition for a transfer of property, a 1.5 – mile portion of the Lake Ardoch to Oslo – 115 kV transmission line to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.

The motion passed 5 - 0.

IP-6728/WS-09-553

In the Matter of the Site Permit for Elm Creek Wind II, LLC 150 MW Project in Martin and Jackson Counties

Commissioner Tuma moved that the Commission:

1. Issue the Amended Site Permit for the Elm Creek Wind II Repower Project as recommended by PUC Energy Infrastructure Permitting Environmental Review Staff, with the following modification:

Delete references to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in Site Permit section 7.5.1 (Operational Phase Fatality Monitoring).

2. Delegate authority to the Executive Secretary to modify the amended site permit to correct any typographic and formatting errors and ensure consistency with the Commission’s order.

The motion passed 5 - 0.

ET-6125/RP-25-266

In the Matter of Basin Electric Power Cooperative’s Optional Integrated Resource Plan

Chair Sieben moved that the Commission:

Find that the variance factors of Minn. R. 7829.3200 are met and grant a variance to Minn. R. 7843.0300 to require Basin Electric to file a full Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) by October 1, 2027, to meet its obligation under Minn. Stat. § 216B.2422, subd. 2, which resulted from its 2025 sales being over 4%.

1. Require Basin Electric to file an Interim Optional-IRP and current Basin Electric forecasted Minnesota retail load on July 1, 2026. If this filing, or sales for 2026 or 2027 trigger a full IRP under Minn. Stat. § 216B.2422, that obligation is included as part of the variance in this docket and the obligation will be met with the filing of the full IRP on

October 1, 2027. If the 2026 filing, or sales for 2026 and 2027 do not show sales that trigger a need for a full IRP the Company is nonetheless required to file a full IRP on October 1, 2027, which resulted from the 2025 sales. The Commission may reevaluate in 2028 whether the requirements for a full IRP are met.

The motion passed 5 - 0.

Commissioner Partridge recused herself before the next item.

G-008/M-23-215

In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy's Natural Gas Innovation Plan

Commissioner Sullivan moved that the Commission:

1. Approve the continuation of all pilots within CenterPoint's plan without modification.
2. Require CenterPoint to file a notification in this docket if its estimated beginning-of-construction or in-service dates for the electrolyzer and solar array for Pilot D are delayed in any way that may jeopardize the receipt of expected federal tax credits.
3. Approve CenterPoint's proposal to charge \$0.0998 per dekatherm (Dth) to Commercial & Industrial customers and \$0.0636 per Dth for Residential customers for its Innovation Act Adjustment, effective January 1, 2026.
4. Approve the bill message for customers:

The PUC has approved an Innovation Act Adjustment (IAA) factor of \$0.00998 per therm for C&I customers and \$0.00636 per therm for Residential customers. This charge will be used to fund innovative decarbonization activities and has been added to your delivery charge. For more information, please call or visit our website.

The motion passed 4 - 0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION: December 24, 2025



Sasha Bergman, Executive Secretary