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Re: COMMENTS ON Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing Certificates of Need and Site and Route Permits for Large Electric Power Plants and High-Voltage Transmission Lines

Dear Minnesota Public Utilities Commission,

I am writing to request a hearing in the rulemaking you are conducting on Certificates of Need, Powerplant Siting, and Route Permits for High-Voltage Transmission Lines. I oppose the proposed amendments as currently written.

It is critical that Commission rules include mechanisms for incorporating climate mitigation and adaptation into its decision making. Yet these rules fail to do so.

Decisions made around power plants and transmission siting have impacts for decades, and proposed rules must be crafted with input from stakeholders and members of the public and ensure a public engagement process that is accessible to all.

For these reasons and more, I request a public hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.

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