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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation-Consolidated for Approval of a Change in Demand Entitlement – November 1 Update

Docket No. G011/M-16-651

Dear Mr. Wolf:

On August 1, 2016, Minnesota Energy Resources (“MERC” or the “Company”) filed its Petition for Change in Demand Entitlement for the MERC-Consolidated purchased gas adjustment (“PGA”). On October 28, 2016, the Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (“Department”) submitted comments in the above-referenced docket, recommending that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission accept MERC’s peak-day analysis and noting that since MERC did not anticipate all of its purchases at the time of its August 1, 2016 filing, the Department would provide its final recommendations after reviewing the Company’s November 1, 2016 updated filing. MERC submits this Compliance update to its August 1, 2016 Filing.

In its April 28, 2016 Order in Docket No. G011/M-15-722, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) required that MERC explain changes made in its compliance petitions that are different from its original petitions, and provide a redline version of both petitions identifying changes.

As of the date of this filing, MERC has completed its purchases of future contract and call options for the 2016-17 winter period. Additionally, physical term purchases have been made as shown on Attachment 6, page 2. MERC describes the changes from its August 1, 2016 filing below and provides a redline of its August 1 Petition and Schedules as attachments.

Since MERC's August 1, 2016 Filing, the Centra contract volume for the MERC Consolidated PGA increased from 9,100 dth/day to 9,500 dth/day. This contract change allows MERC to meet the forecast peak day on the Centra pipeline of 9,132 dth with a 4% reserve margin. Additionally, a new, winter only, contract was added on Great Lakes Gas Transmission ("GLGT") for the MERC Consolidated PGA to bring the total peak day capacity on GLGT to 29,808 dth. The peak day forecast for GLGT is 29,808 dth. Additional capacity is not available on Viking Gas Transmission ("VGT") for the 2016-17 winter season and, as a result, MERC will purchase city-gate delivered supplies of approximately 1,000 dth/day for the December 2016 – February 2017 period. The total MERC Consolidated reserve margin is -1.13%, down from a 4.47% margin in the 2015-16 winter season. If the planned citygate purchase is included, the reserve margin is 0.67%.

In addition, further detail on MERC's AECO storage withdrawals, physical call option purchases, and financial hedging instruments is provided in the redline petition and shown in Attachment 4, pages 2-3, and Attachment 11 pages 1-3.

In its October 28, 2016 Comments, the Department noted:

The Petition indicated an increase to Union Balancing for 2016-2017. According to MERC's Attachment 8, the entitlement was anticipated to increase by 5,547 Dth /day at no cost to the Company. Based on the Department's follow-up conversations with the Company, the Petition reflects an error as to Union Balancing. The volume will not increase (*i.e.*, there will be no change to Union Balancing year-over-year).

The change reflected in Attachment 8 and Attachment 4, page 3 reflects a change in how Union Balancing is billed, not a change in MERC's entitlements. While Union changed the rate and billing units, the characterization, use, and cost of the service has not changed.

A redline of MERC's August 1, 2016 Petition is included as Attachment 1 to this filing and updated exhibits showing revisions highlighted in orange are included. Additionally, winter term gas purchases have been added to Attachment 6, page 2. MERC also submits the updated Attachments in Microsoft Excel format.

Please contact me at (651) 322-8965 if you have any questions regarding the information in this filing. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Amber S. Lee

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Enclosure

cc: Service List

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**STATE OF MINNESOTA
BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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In the Matter of the Petition of Minnesota
Energy Resources Corporation for Approval of
a Change in Demand Entitlement for its
Consolidated System

Docket No. G011/M-16-651—

**UPDATED PETITION OF MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES CORPORATION-
CONSOLIDATED FOR CHANGE IN DEMAND**

I. Introduction

Pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7825.2910, subpart 2 (Filing Upon Change in Demand), Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation - Consolidated (MERC or the Company), a subsidiary of WEC Energy Group, hereby petitions the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval of changes in demand entitlements for MERC-Consolidated customers served off Centra Pipeline, Viking Gas Transmission, and Great Lakes Gas Transmission. MERC requests that the Commission approve the requested changes to be recovered in the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) effective on November 1, 2016. Included with this filing are the following Attachments:

Attachment 1: Design-Day Demand Summary

Attachment 2: Sales Forecast

Attachment 3: Current and Proposed Entitlement Levels

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Attachment 4: Rate Impact of the Proposed Demand Change

Attachment 5: Financial Option Summary

Attachment 6: Winter Plan

Attachment 7: Entitlement History

Attachment 8: Change in Entitlement Levels and Related Demand Costs

Attachment 9: Actual Throughput and Design-Day Forecast Estimated Throughput

Attachment 10: Customer Counts

Attachment 11: Hedging Summary

II. Discussion

A. MERC's Consolidated Design-Day Requirements

Minn. R. 7825.2910, subp. 2 (b) requires that a filing upon change in demand include the utility's Design-Day demand by customer class and the change in Design-Day demand, if any, necessitating the demand revision. The Consolidated Design-Day requirement has increased by 2,453 Dth from the November 1, 2015 filing.

**Table 1: MERC Proposed Consolidated Reserve Margins
For the 2016-2017 Heating Season**

	Reserve Margin 2016-2017 Heating Season	Reserve Margin 2015-2016 Heating Season	Change
Consolidated	- <u>1.137.89</u> %	4.47%	- <u>5.12.36</u> %

For the Demand Entitlement filing effective November 1, 2016, the total Design-Day requirement for MERC – Consolidated is 55,528 Dth (Attachment 1). The difference between the total Design-Day requirement and total Design-Day capacity results in a 1.137.89% negative reserve margin (Attachment 3).

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As required by Order Point 9 of the Commission's Order in Docket No. G011/M-15-722,

Attachment 3 reflects separate summer and winter demand entitlements for MERC-
Consolidated.

B. Gas Supply

Minn. R. 7825.2910, subp. 2, requires a description of Design-Day gas supply from all sources under the new level, allocation, or form of demand. This information is provided in Attachment 3.

C. Forecast Methodology for MERC Demand Entitlement November 1, 2015

1. Peak-day

a. Purpose

Gather data and perform analysis used in the "Petition for Change in Demand" for MERC, otherwise known as the "MERC Demand Entitlement Filings."

b. Background

MERC customers are served by four pipelines:

1. VGT - Viking Gas Transmission system
2. NNG - Northern Natural Gas pipeline
3. GLGT - Great Lakes Gas Transmission pipeline
4. Centra - Centra pipeline

Before July 1, 2013, four Petitions for Change in Demand were filed (one for each PGA):

- A. PNG customers served off of VGT = PNG - VGT
- B. PNG customers served off of GLGT = PNG - GLGT
- C. PNG customers served off of NNG = PNG - NNG
- D. All NMU customers - served off of NNG, GLGT, VGT & Centra = NMU

Effective July 1, 2013, two Petitions for Change in Demand need to be filed (one for each PGA):

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- i. All MERC customers served off of NNG = NNG
- ii. All other PNG customers, served off of Centra, GLGT & VGT = MERC

Consolidated

Effective May 1, 2015, MERC acquired Interstate Power & Light Company's Minnesota natural gas operations and customers. The Commission's Order Approving Sale Subject to Conditions in Docket G-001,011/PA-14-107 required MERC to maintain the transitioned customers on a separate PGA until MERC's next rate case (MERC – NNG-Albert Lea).

Weather data is obtained from eight weather stations: International Falls, Bemidji, Cloquet, Fargo, Minneapolis, Rochester, Worthington, and Ortonville.

For analytical purposes, data is subdivided, analyzed, and regressed by the following demand areas:

	Pipeline	PGA	Weather Station(s)
1	Centra	MERC Consolidated	International Falls
2	GLGT	MERC Consolidated	Bemidji
3	GLGT	MERC Consolidated	Cloquet
4	VGT	MERC Consolidated	Fargo
5	NNG	MERC NNG	Cloquet
6	NNG	MERC NNG	Minneapolis
7	NNG	MERC NNG	Ortonville
8	NNG	MERC NNG	Rochester
9	NNG	MERC NNG	Worthington

2. Analytical Approach

a. Summary

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1. Obtain daily weather data for each weather station.
2. Obtain daily total throughput volumes by pipeline and by weather station.
3. Obtain daily large volume transportation, interruptible and joint interruptible volumes by pipeline and by weather station (“Data A”).
4. Obtain daily small volume interruptible volumes by pipeline and by weather station (“Data B”).
5. Calculate daily “firm” volumes by subtracting both Data A and Data B from total throughput volumes.
6. Perform quality control on volumetric data (e.g., identify missing or bad reads, and, to the extent possible, fix missing or bad reads).
7. Perform firm peak day regressions. In response to comments from the Minnesota Department of Commerce (Department):

- a. Review and potentially change the regression methodology to mitigate the impact of autocorrelation.
 - b. Provide a reasonable explanation whenever we choose to use a regression model that does not have an intercept.
8. Add back Daily Firm Capacity (DFC) customer selections.

3. Process

The Peak Day Process consisted of:

- I. Data Preparation
- II. Regression Generation of Net Daily Metered Volumes
- III. Volume Risk Adjustments
- IV. Adjusting the Regression Results to a Firm Peak Day Estimate

- i. The **Data Preparation** Steps consisted of:

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- Identify the coldest Adjusted Heating Degree Day (AHDD) in the last 20 years for each weather station.
- Determine the most recent three years of December through February daily total metered throughput by pipeline and by weather station.
- Determine the most recent three years of December through February daily large volume transportation, interruptible, and joint interruptible volumes by pipeline and by weather station (“Data A”).
- Determine the most recent three years of December through February daily small volume interruptible volumes by pipeline and by weather station (“Data B”).
- Review daily total metered throughput, Data A, and Data B, and identify missing or bad reads, and to the extent possible, fix missing or bad reads. To the extent that the data could not be fixed, it was not included in the regressions.
- Subtract both Data A and Data B daily meter readings for all three December through February years from the total throughput for each pipeline and each weather station.

Use the resulting net daily metered volumes for regressions. Examples of transportation, interruptible, and joint interruptible meter readings subtracted are paper mills, direct-connects, taconites, and off-system end users. (See “Adjusting the Regression Results to a Firm Peak Day Estimate” below).

Each daily weather station data file was searched to find the coldest Adjusted Heating Degree Day (AHDD65) in the last 20 years. This 1-in-20 approach is consistent with prior years. The results are provided in the following table:

<u>Station</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Avg. Temp</u>	<u>Avg. Wind</u>	<u>HDD65</u>	<u>AHDD65</u>
Bemidji	2/1/1996	-34	8	99	107
Cloquet	2/2/1996	-31	7	96	103
Fargo	1/18/1996	-16	34	81	109
International	2/2/1996	-34	8	99	107

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Falls					
Minneapolis	2/2/1996	-25	8	90	97
Rochester	2/2/1996	-27	10	92	101
Worthington	1/18/1996	-8	32	73	96
Ortonville	1/14/2009	-21	11	86	96

ii. The **Regression Generation of Net Daily Metered Volumes** consisted of:

- For each of the pipelines and weather stations:
 1. Gather the net daily metered volumes and weather station data including AHDD65.¹
 2. Add indicator variables for day-type and month. Day-type variables are used to isolate load that changes by day of the week, such as commercial or industrial customers who may change their consumption on weekends when they run fewer shifts. Month indicator variables are used to isolate load that changes based on winter months, such as businesses that are open extra hours in December and resume normal operating hours in January.
 3. Perform ordinary least squares linear regressions for the 3-year time frame using the AHDD65 weather variable and the significant indicator variables.
 4. In response to comments from the Department, changed the regression methodology to mitigate the impact of autocorrelation. See section below on autocorrelation.

¹ Temperature and weather data was obtained from Schneider Electric via TherMaxx then converted to HDD65 and AHDD65 in an Excel spreadsheet by MERC – Gas Supply. Temperature data is the average of the high and low temperature based on the 9am to 9am gas day. Wind data is the 24-hour average based on the 9am to 9am gas day.

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5. In response to comments from the Department, provide a reasonable explanation whenever we choose to use a regression model that does not have an intercept.
6. Summarize the Baseload and Use/AHDD65 and Use/Prior Day AHDD65 from each regression.
7. Calculate a point estimate from each regression based on the baseload value plus the Use/AHDD65 coefficient times the coldest AHDD65 in 20 years and the Use/Prior Day AHDD65 coefficient times the AHDD65 on the day prior to the coldest AHDD65 in 20 years.

iii. **Volume Risk Adjustments**

Volume risk adjustments were incorporated into the forecast to provide a confidence level that the daily metered load under design conditions would not exceed the daily metered regression estimate. An appropriate volume risk adjustment was determined for each regression group by multiplying the standard error of each regression analysis (sigma) by a factor needed to attain a desired confidence level. The desired confidence level chosen was 97.5%.

iv. **Adjusting the Regression Results to a Firm Peak Day Estimate** consisted of:

1. **Add back Daily Firm Capacity (DFC) customer selections**

While transportation, interruptible, and joint interruptible customer volumes were removed (as described above), in order to determine firm peak day load, daily firm capacity selections needed to be added back. The Sales and Revenue Forecasting department provided historical monthly DFC data for the joint service customers from the prior winter that showed the volume that each customer has selected to receive as firm service from MERC each month. Based on direction from MERC Gas Supply, the Joint Firm/ Interruptible customers who

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were relying on MERC to provide peak day firm supply were identified and their daily firm capacity volumes were summed by month for each pipeline. The total volumes were then added back to the regression results.

Exhibit 1
Pipeline and Weather Station Regression Notes

A. Large Volume Transportation, Interruptible, and Joint Interruptible Customers

GLGT Paper Mills = Blandon mapped to Bemidji, and Sappi and USG mapped to Cloquet

VGT Lamb Weston mapped to Fargo

NNG Taconites / Direct Connects =

- CCI EMPIRE IND DEL PT 2 TILDEN mapped to Cloquet
- CCI NORTHSORE mapped to Cloquet
- UNITED TACONITE (was EVELETH TACONITE) mapped to Cloquet
- HIBBING TACONITE CO. mapped to Cloquet
- U.S. STEEL #1 & #2 mapped to Cloquet
- NATIONAL STEEL PELLET mapped to Cloquet
- COTTAGE GROVE TBS LS POWER mapped to Minneapolis
- INLAND STEEL mapped to Cloquet
- HANNA MINING mapped to Cloquet

NNG OSEU (End Users) =

- ARKEMA INC. mapped to Rochester
- MAYO Clinic 1 Fairmount mapped to Worthington
- MAYO Clinic 2 (Franklin Htg) mapped to Rochester
- MAYO Clinic 3 (St Mary's) mapped to Rochester
- ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND, CO. mapped to Minneapolis
- ASSOCIATED MILK PRODUCTS, INC. mapped to Rochester
- Hawkins Inc. mapped to Minneapolis
- CORRECTIONAL CTR mapped to Minneapolis
- DAIRY FARMERS OF AMERICA mapped to Rochester
- Dick's Sanitation mapped to Minneapolis
- KEMPS LLC mapped to Rochester
- KERRY BIO-SCIENCE mapped to Rochester
- LAKESIDE mapped to Rochester
- MILK SPECIALTIES mapped to Worthington
- LAND OF LAKES mapped to Rochester
- PRO-CORN mapped to Rochester

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- SWIFT mapped to Rochester
- SENECA FOODS-ROCHESTER mapped to Rochester
- ENGINEERED POLYMERS mapped to Cloquet
- SANDSTONE FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE mapped to Cloquet
- Glenville #1 mapped to Rochester
- Agra Resources(Exol) mapped to Rochester
- Halcon Corporation mapped to Rochester
- REG ALBERT LEA, LLC mapped to Rochester
- Zinpro North Branch mapped to Minneapolis

B. Daily Firm Capacity

VGT

- DETROIT LAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL
- ROSSMAN SCHOOL

GLGT

- AMERIPRIDE
- NORTHLAND APTS
- NW TECH COLLEGE - BEMIDJI

NNG

- HENDRICKS HOSPITAL
- GLASSTITE INC.

4. Autocorrelation Review

The Commission's February 4, 2015, Order in Docket Nos. G011/M-12-1192, G011/M-12-1193, G011/M-12-1194, and G011/M-12-1195, MERC's 2012-2013 demand entitlement dockets, required MERC to check its regression models for autocorrelation and correct the model if autocorrelation is present and to provide a reasonable explanation of its use of no-intercept models if it chooses to use one again in the future.

In a regression analysis, using time series data, autocorrelation of the errors is a problem. Autocorrelation of the errors, which themselves are unobserved, can generally be detected because it produces autocorrelation in the observable residuals. (Errors are also known as "error terms" in econometrics.) Autocorrelation violates the ordinary least squares (OLS) assumption that the error terms are uncorrelated. While it does not bias the OLS coefficient estimates, the standard errors tend to be underestimated (and the t-scores

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overestimated) when the autocorrelations of the errors at low lags are positive. The traditional test for the presence of first-order autocorrelation is the Durbin–Watson statistic or, if the explanatory variables include a lagged dependent variable, Durbin's h statistic. To correct for this use, we used the Yule-Walker estimation method within the SAS software package to employ an AR(1) regression which then showed that the Durbin –Watson statistics are all either close to 2 or above.

5. Design-Day Model

Order Point 5 of the Commission's January 21, 2015, Order in MERC's 2010-2011 demand entitlement dockets, Docket Nos. G007/M-10-1166; G007/M-10-1167; G011/M-10-1168; and G011/M-10-1169, required that in future demand entitlement filings, MERC provide (1) the determinants used in its Design-Day models that account for each and every impact on usage associated with economic conditions and (2) a detailed explanation of each and every cause of unexpected changes in usage that might impact the Design-Day calculation, and what, if any, modifications the Company made to its Design-Day numbers. MERC does not forecast its Design Day using economic variables. Additionally, there were no unexpected changes in the Design-Day forecast.

6. Verification of Regression Analysis Results

Order Point 10 of the Commission's April 28, 2016, Order in Docket No. G011/M-15-722 required that MERC verify its regression analysis results in future demand entitlement filings to ensure the results are consistent with the underlying theory the analysis attempts to explain. MERC has carefully reviewed the results of its regression analysis and verified that the results are consistent with the underlying theory the analysis attempts to explain. Please see the May 31, 2016 compliance filing in Docket Nos. G011/M-15-722, G011/M-15-723, and G011/M-15-724 for further discussion of this issue.

III. Additional Filing Requirements

A. Daily Design-Day Estimate to Actual Comparison

In the 2007-2008 demand entitlement dockets,² MERC agreed to include a daily estimate utilizing the Design-Day model which is calculated in Attachment 9. The daily estimate is compared to actual consumption. The actual volumes are total throughput which includes interruptible and transportation volumes that are located behind MERC citygates. The Design-Day model only calculates firm volumes. MERC does not forecast on a daily/monthly basis utilizing the Design-Day model. The Design-Day model is utilized to calculate the theoretical peak day.

B. Average Customer Counts

In the 2007-2008 demand entitlement dockets, MERC agreed to include average customer counts which are provided in Attachment 10.

C. Balancing

Order Point 4 of the Commission's January 21, 2015, Order in MERC's 2010-2011 demand entitlement dockets, Docket Nos. G007/M-10-1166; G007/M-10-1167; G011/M-10-1168; and G011/M-10-1169, required that in future demand entitlement filings, MERC provide a clarification of its statements regarding system balancing and detailed evidence assuring the Commission that the appropriate customer group is paying for any balancing charges or penalties. Additionally, in Docket No. G-999/AA-12-756, by Order dated November 14, 2013, the Commission ordered that "prospectively, all regulated natural gas utilities shall recover balancing service costs, and shall credit the utility's penalty revenues and the pipeline's revenue credits, to the commodity portion of the PGA effective with the earliest true-up filing (for revenues) or the earliest monthly PGA (for costs) that can reasonably be implemented."

² Docket Nos. G007/M-07-1402; G007/M-07-1403; G007/M-07-1404; and G007/M-07-1405.

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MERC subsequently revised its monthly PGA filings, beginning November 2013, to recover all balancing costs via the commodity portion of the PGA. MERC's 2014 AAA and true-up filings, as well as the 2014 Demand Entitlement filing, also reflected this change. The current MERC-Consolidated demand entitlement filing includes detailed evidence of the allocation of balancing costs to the commodity portion of the PGA on Attachment 4, page 2 of 3.

D. MERC's Proposed Consolidated System Demand-Related Changes

There are two types of demand entitlement changes. The first type is Design-Day deliverability, which quantifies the amount of firm transportation and storage capacity actually available to MERC's Consolidated customers during winter peak periods. The second type does not affect Design-Day deliverability levels, but alters the capacity portfolio and the PGA costs recovered from customers.

1. Design-Day Deliverability Changes

As discussed above, MERC Consolidated has a negative reserve margin for the 2016/17 period. Since MERC's August 1, 2016 Filing, the Centra contract volume for the MERC Consolidated PGA increased from 9,100 dth/day to 9,500 dth/day. This contract change allows MERC to meet the forecast peak day on the Centra pipeline of 9,132 dth with a 4% reserve margin. Additionally, a new, winter only, contract was added on GLGT for the MERC Consolidated PGA to bring the total peak day capacity on GLGT to 29,808 dth. The peak day forecast for GLGT is 29,808 dth. Additional capacity is not available on Viking Gas Transmission for the 2016-17 winter season and, as a result, MERC will purchase city-gate delivered supplies. The total MERC Consolidated reserve margin is negative 1.13%, down from a 4.47% margin in the 2015-16 winter season.

MERC will purchase 1,000 dth/day of city-gate delivered supply on Viking for the December 2016 - February 2017 term. MERC anticipates completing this purchase in

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November 2016 and will provide notice in this docket once the purchase has been completed.³

A city-gate purchase means that the commodity supplier is responsible for delivering gas, on Viking, from its supply point to MERC's city-gate. There is not a physical lack of capacity on the Viking pipeline to deliver gas to MERC, but instead a contractual lack of available capacity for the upcoming winter. Moving forward, MERC will look into the most cost-effective option for meeting this capacity need for a longer term. The proposed commodity purchase will provide certainty that MERC can meet the forecast peak day for the upcoming winter season. With the planned city-gate purchase, the MERC Consolidated reserve margin moves from negative 1.13% to positive 0.67%.

~~The Company plans to contract for additional capacity to meet its peak day forecast to ensure a positive reserve margin of less than 5%. A combination of approximately 5,000 Dth of additional deliverability will be added on Centra, Viking, and Great Lakes. This capacity may consist of either pipeline capacity or delivered products and the final determination will be made based on the economics and reliability of the options available in the marketplace. These changes will be formally filed in the November 1, 2016, Demand Entitlement petition.~~

2. Other Demand Entitlement Changes

MERC has AECO Storage. To deliver supply from storage to MERC-Consolidated markets, MERC ~~currently plans to enter~~entered into an AECO/Emerson swap. MERC ~~sells~~will sell gas at the storage point (AECO) to a supplier and ~~buys~~ an equivalent volume at Emerson/Spruce, which MERC then transports to its Consolidated customers. The swap substitutes the need to contract for firm transport on TransCanada Pipeline (TCPL) to transport the gas from AECO to Emerson/Spruce. The demand charge associated with the swap is shown in Attachment 4, page 3. There is no planned change in total volume from the previous

³ MERC notes that the purchase of city-gate delivered supply will not impact MERC's demand entitlements or PGA demand costs.

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year. The volume was reduced from the previous year because during August and September 2016 there were supply disruptions in Alberta that made it difficult to inject gas into AECO storage. This created uncertainty on what the final AECO storage would be, so MERC entered into a swap for approximately 80% of the volume as in past years. If the remaining gas in AECO storage is needed during the 2016/17 winter, MERC will be able to perform the swap on a daily basis.

In previous years, the demand cost associated with physical call options has been high. The influx of Canadian gas into MERC's market area has made these physical options much more attractive, so MERC entered into a number of physical call options that result in the Company having increased certainty around meeting peak day requirements from a commodity standpoint. The total cost is shown in Attachment 8 and ranges on a unit basis from \$0.0375-0.0525/dth-day.

Finally, MERC notes that the Union Balancing service shown in Attachment 4, page 3 and Attachment 8 has not changed in cost. While Union changed the rate and billing units, the characterization, use, and cost of the service has not changed.

E. Financial Option Units and Premiums

In accordance with the Commission's May 28, 2015, Order in Docket No. G011/M-15-231 approving MERC's variance extension request to recover the costs of financial instruments through the PGA, MERC provides the following information:

- i. a list of all financial instruments purchased for the upcoming heating season (see Attachment 11);
- ii. the cost premium associated with each contract (see Attachment 5);
- iii. the size (in MMBtu) of each contract (see Attachments 5 and 11);
- iv. the contract date (see Attachment 5);

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- v. the contract price (see Attachment 11);
- vi. an attachment that details the projected total system sales estimates for the upcoming heating season, including all supporting data and assumptions used when calculating the sales forecast, and the total number of volumes hedged using financial instruments for the upcoming heating season (see Attachment 2 and Attachment 6, page 1 of 2); and
- vii. a detailed discussion of the anticipated benefits to ratepayers related to MERC's financial instrument contracts, discussed below.

The Consolidated 2016-2017 Winter Portfolio Hedging Plans - Minnesota Energy

Resources Corporation for GLGT, VGT, and Centra gas supply purchases are shown on Attachment 6. MERC's hedging strategy covers 60% of normal winter volumes; 30% through physical storage; and 30% through financial instruments. The weighted average price of currently purchased futures contracts of natural gas for the 2016/17 winter is \$3.05761892.
Please see Attachment 11, page 1 of 3. As shown in Attachment 11, page 2 of 3, MERC projects the AECO storage WACOG to be \$1.40534605. ~~The remaining 20% is hedged with financial call options.~~ MERC has purchased call options at an average strike price of \$3.20403057, which means if NYMEX contract(s) settle above that price, the options are exercised and MERC customer gas cost is capped at the average strike price. Please see Attachment 11, page 3 of 3. The remaining 40% of normal winter volumes are purchased at index or market prices. All numbers reflected are natural gas costs only and do not include any transportation, storage, hedge premium, or margin costs.

F. PGA Cost Recovery

MERC proposes to begin recovering the costs associated with the change in demand-related costs in its monthly PGA effective November 1, 2016. Rate impacts associated with this change can be found in Attachment 4.

G. Impacts of Telemetry

Throughout the course of the year, a number of customers request to switch from interruptible to firm service. MERC evaluates these requests to determine the impact to our system and our upstream entitlement levels and our process requires us to evaluate the system capability before we allow a customer to switch to firm. As a result, the firm volumes associated with a customer switch fall within the Design-Day parameters and do not impact our demand entitlement levels.

IV. Conclusion

As discussed above, MERC Consolidated has a negative reserve margin for the 2016-2017 period. The Company ~~plans to has~~ contracted~~ed~~ for additional capacity ~~on the Centra and GLGT pipelines~~ to meet ~~its~~ peak day forecasts~~s, however, no additional capacity is available on the Viking Gas Transmission pipeline for the 2016-2017 winter season and, as a result, MERC will purchase city-gate delivered supplies. to ensure a positive reserve margin of less than 5 percent. MERC will submit an update to this filing by November 1, 2016, reflecting those contract demand entitlements. MERC requests that the Commission approve the requested changes to be recovered in the PGA effective on November 1, 2016.~~

DATED: ~~August~~November 1, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

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DESIGN-DAY DEMAND SUMMARY

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Design Day Requirement		55,528
Total Peak Day Entitlement		54,899
2015/16 Firm Peak Day Actual Sendout	1/17/2016	42,679
Firm Annual Throughput - Minnesota		4,823,288
No. of Firm Customers		35,499
Department Load Factor Calculation		30.96%

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HDD

Pipeline Group	2015/16 Customer Count	1/20 Design DDD	Regression Factors		Regression Total	Add Adjustment	1/20 Requirements Regression Load	Estimated Contract Demand Units	Total
			Intercept	Slope					

VGT

Peak		109	635	138	15,174	1,407	16,581	7	16,588
Off Peak		57	635	138	8,527	1,093	9,620	7	9,627

GLGT

Peak		107	1,936	243	27,666	1,928	29,594	214	29,808
Off Peak		57	1,936	243	15,167	1,845	17,012	214	17,226

Centra

Peak		107	356	76	8,490	642	9,132	0	9,132
Off Peak		57	356	76	4,712	447	5,159	0	5,159

Total Consolidated

Peak	35,499	107	2,927	457	51,330	3,977	55,307	221	55,528
Off Peak	35,499	57	2,927	457	28,406	3,385	31,791	221	32,012

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DESIGN-DAY DEMAND PER CUSTOMER NOVEMBER 1, 2016

<u>Heating Season</u>	<u>No. of Firm Customers</u>	<u>Design Day Requirements</u>	<u>MMBtu /Customer /Day</u>
16/17	35,499	55,528	1.56
15/16	34,799	53,075	1.53
14/15	34,397	48,706	1.42
13/14	34,007	50,048	1.47
12/13	33,630	52,289	1.55
11/12	33,384	50,366	1.51
10/11	33,399	50,779	1.52
09/10	34,053	53,931	1.58
08/09	32,632	59,654	1.83
07/08	32,454	57,202	1.76

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SUMMER/WINTER USAGE - Mcf
PROJECTED 12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 2016
Consolidated

<u>Class</u>	<u>Summer</u> <u>Apr-Oct</u>	<u>Winter</u> <u>Nov-Mar</u>	<u>Total</u>
GS	1,280,070	3,520,323	4,800,393
SVI	139,761	287,013	426,774
SVJ	5,477	17,418	22,895
LVI	226,964	270,875	497,839
LVJ	0	0	0
SLV	0	0	0
IS	0	0	0
Total	<u>1,652,272</u>	<u>4,095,629</u>	<u>5,747,901</u>

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ENTITLEMENT LEVELS PROPOSED TO BE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2016

<u>Capacity Type</u>		<i>Summer</i>			<i>April/October</i>			<i>Winter</i>		
		2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu	2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu	2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu
FT Western Zone	FT0016	10,130	0	10,130	10,130	0	10,130	10,130	0	10,130
FT Western Zone	FT15782	9,000	0	9,000	9,000	0	9,000	9,000	0	9,000
FT Western Zone (12)	FT17891 (12)	3,600	0	3,600	3,600	0	3,600	3,600	0	3,600
FT Western Zone (5)	FT17891 (5)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,728	0	3,728
FT Western Zone (5)	FT18283	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,300	<u>50</u>	<u>3,350</u>
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0012	12,493	0	12,493	12,493	0	12,493	12,493	0	12,493
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0209	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,098	0	1,098
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0102	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF00229	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	(1,000)	0
CENTRA FT-1		9,100	<u>0</u>	<u>9,100</u>	9,100	<u>0</u>	<u>9,100</u>	9,100	<u>400</u>	<u>9,500</u>
Total Entitlement		<u>46,323</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>46,323</u>	<u>46,323</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>46,323</u>	<u>55,449</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>54,899</u>
Forecasted Design Day-Adjusted					31,599	413	32,012	53,075	2,453	55,528
Capacity Surplus/Shortage					14,724	<u>(413)</u>	<u>14,311</u>	2,374	<u>(3,003)</u>	<u>(629)</u>
Reserve Margin					46.60%	<u>-1.89%</u>	<u>44.71%</u>	4.47%	<u>-5.61%</u>	<u>-1.13%</u>

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE
 NOVEMBER 1, 2016

All costs in \$/Dth	Base Cost of Gas G011/MR15-748 Jan 1, 2016	Demand Charge Oct 1, 2015	Demand Charge Demand Filing Nov 1, 2015	Most Recent PGA Oct 1, 2016	Proposed Effective Nov 1, 2016	Result of Proposed Change			
						Change from Last Rate Case	Change from Nov 1, 2015 Demand Filing	Change from Last PGA %	Change from Last PGA \$
1) General Service Residential Avg. Annual Use:									
				75	Dth				
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Demand Cost	\$0.7996	\$0.7968	\$0.8006	\$0.7422	\$0.7255	-9.27%	-8.95%	-2.25%	(\$0.0167)
Commodity Margin	\$2.3980	\$2.1806	\$2.1806	\$2.3980	\$2.3980	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$7.0497	\$6.1722	\$6.1106	\$6.3528	\$6.1368	-12.95%	-0.57%	-3.40%	(\$0.2160)
Avg Annual Cost	\$528.73	\$462.92	\$458.30	\$476.46	\$460.26	-12.95%	-0.57%	-3.40%	(\$16.20)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$14.95)
Effect of proposed demand change on average annual bills:									(\$1.25)
2) Large General Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
				597	Dth				
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Demand Cost	\$0.7996	\$0.7968	\$0.8006	\$0.7422	\$0.7255	-9.27%	-8.95%	-2.25%	(\$0.0167)
Commodity Margin	\$1.8232	\$1.6579	\$1.6579	\$1.8232	\$1.8232	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$6.4749	\$5.6495	\$5.5879	\$5.7780	\$5.5620	-14.10%	-1.55%	-3.74%	(\$0.2160)
Avg Annual Cost	\$3,865.52	\$3,372.75	\$3,335.98	\$3,449.47	\$3,320.53	-14.10%	-1.55%	-3.74%	(\$128.94)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$118.97)
Effect of proposed demand change on average annual bills:									(\$9.97)
3) SV Interruptible Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
				5,443	Dth				
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Commodity Margin	\$0.9336	\$0.8490	\$0.8490	\$0.9336	\$0.9336	0.00%	9.96%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$4.7857	\$4.0438	\$3.9784	\$4.1462	\$3.9469	-17.53%	-2.40%	-4.81%	(\$0.1993)
Avg Annual Cost	\$26,048.57	\$22,010.40	\$21,654.43	\$22,567.77	\$21,483.10	-17.53%	-2.40%	-4.81%	(\$1,084.67)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$1,084.67)
4) LV Interruptible Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
				66,643	Dth				
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Commodity Margin	\$0.5007	\$0.4553	\$0.4553	\$0.5007	\$0.5007	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$4.3528	\$3.6501	\$3.5847	\$3.7133	\$3.5140	-19.27%	-3.73%	-5.37%	(\$0.1993)
Avg Annual Cost	\$290,083.65	\$243,253.61	\$238,895.16	\$247,465.45	\$234,185.01	-19.27%	-3.73%	-5.37%	(\$13,280.44)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$13,280.44)

Note: Average Annual Average based on NNG Annual Automatic Adjustment Report in Docket No. E,G999/AA-16-524

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RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE
NOVEMBER 1, 2016

DEMAND								
Contract Type	Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs	Rate Case Sales (therms)	\$/therm	
Viking (VGT)								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0012	Annual	12,493	12	4.3706 \$	655,223	49,765,067	\$0.01317
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0209	Winter	1,098	3	4.3706 \$	14,397	49,765,067	\$0.00029
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0102	Annual	2,000	12	4.5607 \$	109,457	49,765,067	\$0.00220
VGT Demand				\$	779,077	49,765,067	\$0.01566	
Great Lakes (GLGT)								
FT Western Zone	FT0016	Annual	10,130	12	\$3.8490 \$	467,884	49,765,067	\$0.00940
FT Western Zone	FT15782	Annual	9,000	12	\$3.8490 \$	415,692	49,765,067	\$0.00835
FT Western Zone (12)	FT17891 (12)	Annual	3,600	12	\$3.8490 \$	166,277	49,765,067	\$0.00334
FT Western Zone (5)	FT17891 (5)	Winter	3,728	5	\$3.8490 \$	71,745	49,765,067	\$0.00144
FT Western Zone (5)	FT18462 (5)	Winter	3,350	5	\$3.8490 \$	64,471	49,765,067	\$0.00130
GLGT Demand				\$	1,186,069	49,765,067	\$0.02383	
Centra								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	Annual	9,500	12	\$11.1338 \$	1,269,253	49,765,067	\$0.02550	
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES	Annual	9,500	12	\$3.2990 \$	376,086	49,765,067	\$0.00756	
Centra Demand				\$	1,645,339	49,765,067	\$0.03306	
MERC-Consolidated DEMAND - \$/therm				\$	3,610,485		\$0.07255	
FOR JOINT RATE DEMAND				49,765,067	Annual Firm Sales in therms			
MERC-Consolidated Firm (GS) Sales as approved in Docket No. G011/MR-15-748								
Viking (VGT)								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	Annual	12,493	12	149,916				
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	Winter	1,098	3	3,294				
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	Annual	2,000	12	24,000				
Great Lakes (GLGT)								
FT Western Zone	Annual	10,130	12	121,560				
FT Western Zone	Annual	9,000	12	108,000				
FT Western Zone (12)	Annual	3,600	12	43,200				
FT Western Zone (5)	Winter	3,728	5	18,640				
FT Western Zone (5)	Winter	3,350	5	16,750				
Centra								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	Annual	9,500	12	114,000				
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES	Annual	9,500	12	114,000				
Total Demand Cost		\$ 3,610,485						
Total Demand Weighted Vol in therms		5,993,600						
Total Joint Demand Rate \$/therm				\$0.60239 /therm				

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED
RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE

PRESENT AVERAGE COST OF GAS COMMODITY

NOVEMBER 1, 2016

WACOG		Rate	Annual Dth	Call Option Premium	Physical Forward Start Premium	Balancing Service	Total Annual Cost	System Cost/therm	Storage Comm Rate	Total Comm Rate	REFERENCE	Effective
VGT												
GAS COST		\$2.70290										
FUEL	1.49%	\$0.04088										
COMMODITY TRANSPORTATION		\$0.01160										
GRI		\$0.00000										
ACA		\$0.00130										
VGT Commodity		\$2.75668	2,145,731	\$86,440	\$23,783		\$89,580	\$6,114,898	\$0.10754			
GLGT												
GAS COST		\$2.70290										
FUEL	1.383%	\$0.03789										
COMMODITY TRANSPORTATION		\$0.00394										
GRI		\$0.00000										
ACA		\$0.00130										
GLGT Commodity		\$2.74603	2,216,718	\$89,299	\$28,313		\$0	\$6,204,786	\$0.10913			
CENTRA												
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	(\$Cdn/103M3)	1.062										
Conversion		\$0.02247										
Abandonment Toll		\$0.27803										
GAS COSTS		\$2.70290										
CUSTOMS FEE		\$0.00030										
CENTRA Commodity		\$3.00371	1,323,492	\$53,316	\$0		\$54,000	\$4,082,698	\$0.07180			
Consolidated WACOG w/Premium & Balancing			5,685,941	\$229,055	\$52,096		\$143,580	\$16,402,382	\$0.28847	\$0.01286		
Total Annual Sales in therms			56,859,413									
											\$0.30133 Total Consolidated WACOG-\$/therm	

Balancing Service		Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs
Pipeline	Description					
VGT	Balancing Agreement	Annual	7,465	12	\$1.0000	\$89,580
GLGT	---		0	0	\$0.0000	\$0
Centra	Union Balancing	Annual	10,000	12	\$0.4500	\$54,000

Storage Service						
	Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs	Annual Sales (therms)
Niska Storage (AECO)	Annual	947,820	1	\$0.4676	\$443,205	56,859,413 \$0.00779
AECO/Emerson Swap	Annual	758,254	1	\$ 0.38000	\$288,137	56,859,413 \$0.00507
						\$731,341 56,859,413 \$0.01286

Total Commodity Cost:

\$0.30133

* Per Docket No. G-007/M-07-1402-05 dated August 6th, 2014, storage demand charges will be allocated through the commodity charge effective 11/01/2014.

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Financial Options Heating Season 2016-2017

Units - Gas Daily Peaker Packages (Physical)

November		December		January		February		March		Term Total
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Term Total								
N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		

Premium - Gas Daily Peaker (Monthly Cost)

November		December		January		February		March		Total
Option Premium	Premium Cost	Premium Cost								
N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		

Units - Futures (Daily Volume)

November		December		January		February		March		Term Total
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Term Total								
1 05/18/16	438	05/26/16	281	05/25/16	634	05/19/16	630	05/23/16	430	72,444
2 06/02/16	313	05/26/16	224	06/20/16	634	06/14/16	630	05/23/16	54	55,288
3 07/07/16	188	06/22/16	505	07/22/16	518	07/13/16	315	06/16/16	430	59,505
4 07/07/16	125	07/26/16	393	08/22/16	518	07/13/16	252	07/18/16	376	50,721
5 08/02/16	313	08/25/16	393	09/19/16	461	08/04/16	252	08/08/16	323	52,893
6 09/07/16	313	09/26/16	393	10/18/16	461	08/04/16	252	09/15/16	269	51,227
7 10/05/16	313	10/24/16	393			09/09/16	441	09/15/16	54	35,569
8						10/11/16	441	10/13/16	323	22,353

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Total **2,000** **2,581** **3,226** **3,214** **2,258** **400,000**

Units - Call Options (Daily Volume)

November		December		January		February		March		Term Total
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Term Total								
1 05/24/16	677	05/20/16	992	05/19/16	1,142	05/25/16	567	05/18/16	864	129,119
2 06/17/16	677	06/15/16	933	06/13/16	1,142	05/26/16	567	06/01/16	864	127,310
3 07/21/16	677	07/15/16	933	07/11/16	1,085	06/21/16	1,134	07/06/16	864	141,423
4 08/09/16	564	08/05/16	933	08/03/16	1,085	07/25/16	1,071	08/01/16	749	132,702
5 09/15/16	564	09/09/16	875	09/08/16	1,028	08/23/16	1,071	09/06/16	749	129,123
6 10/03/16	508	10/12/16	817	10/07/16	971	09/20/16	630	10/17/16	749	111,500
7						09/20/16	378			10,588
8						10/20/16	1,008			28,235

Total **3,667** **5,484** **6,452** **6,429** **4,839** **810,000**

Premium - Call Option (Monthly Cost)

November		December		January		February		March		Total
Option Premium	Premium Cost	Total								
1 \$ 0.1840	\$ 3,737	\$ 0.2420	\$ 7,440	\$ 0.2580	\$ 9,133	\$ 0.3300	\$ 5,241	\$ 0.3600	\$ 9,643	\$ 0.2726 \$ 35,194
2 \$ 0.2020	\$ 4,102	\$ 0.2410	\$ 6,974	\$ 0.2860	\$ 10,124	\$ 0.3500	\$ 5,559	\$ 0.3680	\$ 9,857	\$ 0.2876 \$ 36,616
3 \$ 0.1800	\$ 3,655	\$ 0.2750	\$ 7,957	\$ 0.2750	\$ 9,248	\$ 0.3470	\$ 11,022	\$ 0.4530	\$ 12,134	\$ 0.3112 \$ 44,017
4 \$ 0.1450	\$ 2,454	\$ 0.2560	\$ 7,408	\$ 0.3000	\$ 10,088	\$ 0.3400	\$ 10,200	\$ 0.3530	\$ 8,195	\$ 0.2890 \$ 38,345
5 \$ 0.1540	\$ 2,606	\$ 0.1700	\$ 4,612	\$ 0.3080	\$ 9,812	\$ 0.3640	\$ 10,920	\$ 0.3500	\$ 8,125	\$ 0.2794 \$ 36,075
6 \$ 0.0860	\$ 1,310	\$ 0.1500	\$ 3,798	\$ 0.2960	\$ 8,906	\$ 0.3270	\$ 5,771	\$ 0.3400	\$ 7,893	\$ 0.2482 \$ 27,677
7 \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.3260	\$ 3,452	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,452
8 \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.2720	\$ 7,680	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,680
Total	\$ 0.1624	\$ 17,864	\$ 0.2246	\$ 38,189	\$ 0.2866	\$ 57,312	\$ 0.3325	\$ 59,845	\$ 0.3723	\$ 55,846 \$ 229,055

Units - Collar Floor (put)

No Puts were purchased.

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16/17 Winter Portfolio Plan - Total MERC Hedging Plan

Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation

2016-2017 Demand Entitlement

MERC-Consolidated

10000 Contract Size

System	Purchase Month	Nov-16		Dec-16		Jan-17		Feb-17		Mar-17		Total		Percent of Requirements
		Number Contracts	Contract Volume											
MN Requirements		584,025	847,176		1,015,217		890,249		758,963		4,095,630			
GLGT -MN		19,468	27,328		32,749		31,795		24,483		26,945			
10%	Futures	58,403	84,718		101,522		89,025		75,896		409,563			
20%	Call	116,805	169,435		203,043		178,050		151,793		819,126			
30%	Storage	175,208	254,153		304,565		267,075		227,689		1,228,689			
40%	Index	233,610	338,870		406,087		356,100		303,585		1,638,252			
Contracts	Aug-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	9	90,000			
	Sep-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	2	10,000	8	80,000			
	Oct-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	1	10,000	7	70,000	
	Total	1	10,000	1	10,000	2	20,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	6	60,000	
	May-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	5	50,000	
	Jun-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	5	50,000	
	Total	6	60,000	8	80,000	10	100,000	9	90,000	7	70,000	40	400,000	9.77%
Call Options	Aug-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	4	40,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	15	150,000	
	Sep-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	4	40,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	15	150,000	
	Oct-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	14	140,000	
	Total	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	13	130,000	
	May-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	13	130,000			
	Jun-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	11	110,000	
	Total	11	110,000	17	170,000	20	200,000	18	180,000	15	150,000	81	810,000	19.78%
Collars	Aug-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Sep-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Oct-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	May-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Jun-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total	0	0	0	0.00%									
Index (back financial)														
Physical Hedges	Total		170,000	0	250,000	0	300,000	0	270,000	0	220,000	0	1,210,000	29.54%
Storage			85,304		231,768		231,768		209,339		96,374		854,552	20.86%
Prepaid Obl			0		0		0		0		0		0	0.00%
			43.71%		56.87%		52.38%		53.84%		41.69%		50.41%	50.41%
Term Index	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	May-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	Jun-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total NNG MN														
Contracts													400,000	9.77%
Call Options													810,000	19.78%
Costing Collar													0	0.00%
Storage													854,552	20.86%
Prepaid Obl													0	0.00%
Term Index													0	0.00%
Month/Daily													2,031,078	49.59%
Total													4,095,630	100.00%

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

WINTER PLAN - CONSOLIDATED
NOVEMBER, 2016 THROUGH MARCH, 2017

PHYSICAL FIXED PRICE HEDGES	Deal #	Trigger Locked	Trigger Exercised	Receipt Point	Daily Volumes					Monthly Total
					Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	

No Physical Fixed Price Hedges

Total Actual Fixed/Option Physical

INDEX	Contract									
	Number	Date	Receipt Point	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	
40709	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000		
40711	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000		
40719	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	180,000		
40708	8/25/2016	GLGT Emerson 2	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000		
40706	8/25/2016	CTHI-Spruce	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	755,000		
Total Actual Seasonal Index				17,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	17,000	2,747,000	

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Physical Call Option	40724	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Physical Call Option	40716	8/25/2016	GLGT Emerson 2	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

STORAGE

Injection Month	Contract #		
	AECO	Volume	Total
	Injected	Volume	
May - balance forward	191,103	191,103	
June	184,938	184,938	
July	191,103	191,103	
August	191,103	191,103	
Sept	93,237	93,237	
Oct (est)	<u>96,334</u>	<u>96,334</u>	
Total	947,817	947,817	

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	2012 Consolidated GS	2013 Consolidated GS	2014 Consolidated GS	2015 Consolidated GS	2016 Consolidated GS	Proposed Change
Viking Gas Transmission (VGT)						
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	12,493	12,493	12,493	12,493	12,493	0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	1,098	1,098	1,098	1,098	1,098	0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
FA-A ZONE 1 - 1	0	1,500	0	1,000	0	-1,000
Wadena Delivered GDD Option	3500	0	0	0	0	0
Great Lakes Gas Transmission (GLGT)						
FT Western Zone	10,130	10,130	10,130	10,130	10,130	0
FT Western Zone	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	0
FT Western Zone (12)	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	0
FT Western Zone (5)	3,638	3,638	3,638	3,728	3,728	0
FT Western Zone (5)	0	0	0	3,300	3,350	50
Centra Transmission Holding/Centra Minnesota Pipelines (CTHI/CPMI)						
Centra FT-1	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,100	9,500	400
Total VGT Transportation	19,091	17,091	15,591	16,591	15,591	-1,000
Total GLGT Transportation	26,368	26,368	26,368	29,758	29,808	50
Total CTHI/CPMI Transportation	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,100	9,500	400
Total Transportation	54,959	52,959	51,459	55,449	54,899	-550
Total Seasonal Transportation	4,598	2,598	1,098	2,098	1,098	-1,000
Total Seasonal Transportation %	8.37%	4.91%	2.13%	3.78%	2.00%	-1.78%
<u>Other Entitlements not included in Peak Day Deliverability</u>						
AECO Storage	947,820	947,820	947,820	947,820	947,820	0
AECO/Emerson Swap	947,823	947,823	940,428	955,255	758,254	-197,001

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

Change in Costs due to November, 1 2016 Change in Entitlement Levels and Related Demand Costs

	2015/16 Entitlements	2016/17 Entitlements	Entitlement Change	2016/17 Rate	Months	2015/16 Total Annual Cost	2016/17 Total Annual Cost	Total Annual Cost Change
Costs Assigned in Demand Charge								
<u>Viking Pipeline</u>								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0012	12,493	12,493	0 \$	4.3706	12	\$655,223	\$655,223	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0209	1,098	1,098	0 \$	4.3706	3	\$14,397	\$14,397	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0102	2,000	2,000	0 \$	4.5607	12	\$109,457	\$109,457	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - AF0229 (Nov-Mar)	1,000	0	-1,000 \$	4.7507	0	\$23,754	\$0	-\$23,754
<u>GLGTPipeline</u>								
FT Western ZoneFT0016	10,130	10,130	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$467,884	\$467,884	\$0
FT Western ZoneFT15782	9,000	9,000	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$415,692	\$415,692	\$0
FT Western Zone (12)FT17891 (12)	3,600	3,600	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$166,277	\$166,277	\$0
FT Western Zone (5)FT17891 (5)	3,728	3,728	0 \$	3.8490	5	\$71,745	\$71,745	\$0
FT Western Zone (5)FT18462 (Nov-Mar)	3,300	<u>3,350</u>	<u>50</u> \$	3.8490	5	\$63,509	<u>\$64,471</u>	<u>\$963</u>
<u>CENTRA Pipeline</u>								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	9,100	<u>9,500</u>	<u>400</u> \$	<u>11.1338</u>	12	\$1,350,564	<u>\$1,269,253</u>	<u>\$81,311</u>
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES	9,100	<u>9,500</u>	<u>400</u> \$	3.2990	12	\$355,009	<u>\$376,086</u>	<u>\$21,077</u>
Total Costs Assigned to Demand Charge						\$3,693,510	\$3,610,485	-\$83,025
Costs Assigned in Commodity Charge								
<u>Storage Service</u>								
Niska Storage (AECO)	947,820	947,820	0 \$	0.4676	1	\$590,018	\$443,205	-\$146,813
AECO/Emerson Swap	955,255	758,254	-197,001 \$	0.3800	1	\$993,465	\$288,137	-\$705,328
<u>Balancing</u>								
VGT Balancing Agreement	7,465	7,465	0 \$	1.0000	12	\$89,580	\$89,580	\$0
Union Balancing	4,453	10,000	5,547 \$	0.4500	12	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$0
Physical Forward Start Premium						\$	-	\$ 52,096
Call Options Premium						\$307,091	\$229,055	-\$78,036
Total Costs Assigned to Commodity Charge						\$2,034,154	\$1,156,073	-\$878,081

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Daily Total Throughput Data - July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

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						Design Day:	
						Base	2,927
						Variable	457

Date	28.53% Bemidji Adjusted HDD	13.34% Cloquet Adjusted HDD	35.13% Fargo Adjusted HDD	23.00% Intl. Falls Adjusted HDD	100.00% Weighted Adjusted HDD	Actual Total Through- Put *	Estimated Firm Through- Put **
7/1/15	0	3	0	0	0	24,018	3,116
7/2/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,748	2,927
7/3/15	0	0	0	2	0	11,052	3,148
7/4/15	0	0	0	0	0	8,598	2,927
7/5/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,120	2,927
7/6/15	16	8	11	16	13	20,993	8,869
7/7/15	4	6	0	9	4	20,643	4,712
7/8/15	9	2	3	7	5	21,068	5,364
7/9/15	0	0	0	1	0	18,557	3,032
7/10/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,469	2,927
7/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,314	2,927
7/12/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,769	2,927
7/13/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,587	2,927
7/14/15	0	3	0	0	0	17,877	3,086
7/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,161	2,927
7/16/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,877	2,927
7/17/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,136	2,927
7/18/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,925	2,927
7/19/15	0	0	0	0	0	13,156	2,927
7/20/15	3	1	0	5	2	19,623	3,914
7/21/15	0	0	0	8	2	18,169	3,747
7/22/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,796	2,927
7/23/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,359	2,927
7/24/15	0	0	0	1	0	12,094	2,980
7/25/15	0	0	0	0	0	9,015	2,927
7/26/15	0	0	0	0	0	9,573	2,927
7/27/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,369	2,927
7/28/15	0	0	0	0	0	21,114	2,927
7/29/15	0	0	0	0	0	18,954	2,927
7/30/15	0	0	0	0	0	18,695	2,927
7/31/15	0	0	0	1	0	15,345	3,043
8/1/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,347	2,927
8/2/15	3	0	0	1	1	12,863	3,486
8/3/15	8	4	0	12	6	17,812	5,473
8/4/15	5	6	0	14	5	21,687	5,343
8/5/15	0	2	0	0	0	25,958	3,025
8/6/15	0	3	0	2	1	17,750	3,323
8/7/15	0	5	0	0	1	15,577	3,238
8/8/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,151	2,927
8/9/15	1	0	0	0	0	12,577	2,992
8/10/15	1	0	0	5	1	17,502	3,564
8/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	16,228	2,927
8/12/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,232	2,927
8/13/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,734	2,927
8/14/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,980	2,927
8/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,859	2,927
8/16/15	8	0	7	7	6	13,272	5,632
8/17/15	9	6	1	12	7	20,518	5,932
8/18/15	6	6	5	2	4	25,496	4,966
8/19/15	16	10	9	14	12	22,369	8,463
8/20/15	3	5	0	7	3	16,947	4,393
8/21/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,200	2,927
8/22/15	4	1	0	2	2	10,420	3,653
8/23/15	16	13	7	15	12	13,853	8,483
8/24/15	14	16	8	17	13	21,558	8,809
8/25/15	13	10	5	14	10	22,326	7,513
8/26/15	7	7	0	11	5	20,118	5,400
8/27/15	0	1	0	0	0	16,898	2,988
8/28/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,549	2,927
8/29/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,752	2,927
8/30/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,812	2,927
8/31/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,855	2,927
9/1/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,833	2,927
9/2/15	0	0	0	0	0	22,455	2,927
9/3/15	0	3	0	0	0	18,037	3,086
9/4/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,196	2,927
9/5/15	0	0	0	0	0	10,654	2,927
9/6/15	3	0	1	1	1	9,777	3,462
9/7/15	7	0	5	5	5	11,509	5,107
9/8/15	7	3	3	11	6	20,636	5,575
9/9/15	14	6	6	14	10	22,306	7,664
9/10/15	20	14	12	17	16	21,483	10,113
9/11/15	17	17	9	18	14	17,420	9,533
9/12/15	8	8	1	6	5	15,234	5,258
9/13/15	0	2	0	0	0	15,892	3,061
9/14/15	0	0	0	6	1	21,352	3,537

9/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	22,027	2,927
9/16/15	0	0	0	0	0	23,271	2,927
9/17/15	10	5	9	3	8	22,060	6,364
9/18/15	13	12	12	15	13	18,031	8,921
9/19/15	7	9	2	8	5	14,380	5,415
9/20/15	1	3	0	1	1	15,188	3,316
9/21/15	1	0	0	5	2	21,428	3,638
9/22/15	11	9	6	13	9	24,369	7,022
9/23/15	15	14	8	10	11	25,532	7,967
9/24/15	6	9	0	10	5	20,635	5,289
9/25/15	1	10	0	3	2	19,474	3,944
9/26/15	0	7	0	0	1	22,022	3,372
9/27/15	6	0	0	11	4	27,515	4,858
9/28/15	19	14	13	23	17	35,726	10,782
9/29/15	18	21	10	23	17	36,670	10,557
9/30/15	12	15	4	15	10	37,392	7,586
10/1/15	15	22	11	21	16	31,595	10,174
10/2/15	17	22	13	18	17	26,456	10,491
10/3/15	19	24	12	22	18	21,474	11,052
10/4/15	15	18	10	15	14	21,967	9,143
10/5/15	18	14	13	23	17	27,767	10,673
10/6/15	27	19	18	30	23	28,378	13,660
10/7/15	20	20	14	22	19	26,469	11,395
10/8/15	18	21	21	20	20	25,491	12,047
10/9/15	16	19	13	15	15	19,747	9,801
10/10/15	5	10	0	10	5	15,316	5,218
10/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,967	2,927
10/12/15	27	22	27	22	25	27,603	14,345
10/13/15	21	21	16	27	21	29,241	12,410
10/14/15	16	14	11	18	14	25,790	9,509
10/15/15	33	26	27	31	30	26,844	16,441
10/16/15	33	33	29	35	32	27,836	17,605
10/17/15	29	28	23	33	28	25,124	15,513
10/18/15	17	21	9	20	15	20,868	9,813
10/19/15	12	11	7	14	10	24,928	7,694
10/20/15	20	22	7	24	16	28,821	10,380
10/21/15	27	26	21	32	26	31,865	14,756
10/22/15	20	18	15	24	19	24,541	11,532
10/23/15	24	22	23	24	23	21,956	13,547
10/24/15	26	24	20	29	24	21,757	13,987
10/25/15	29	22	23	32	27	27,893	15,156
10/26/15	26	23	22	29	25	31,996	14,308
10/27/15	25	20	19	22	22	32,557	12,862
10/28/15	33	27	34	27	31	36,726	17,198
10/29/15	30	24	28	28	28	29,903	15,642
10/30/15	23	24	23	26	24	24,928	13,873
10/31/15	25	22	26	23	25	25,382	14,182
11/1/15	28	23	23	31	26	25,860	14,736
11/2/15	17	14	17	26	18	29,281	11,330
11/3/15	17	16	12	20	16	28,701	10,291
11/4/15	16	13	20	14	17	30,561	10,508
11/5/15	31	17	31	25	28	33,121	15,523
11/6/15	34	30	33	33	33	29,539	17,935
11/7/15	30	29	26	32	29	27,135	16,070
11/8/15	22	18	21	20	21	22,870	12,303
11/9/15	17	17	17	19	17	28,918	10,879
11/10/15	20	16	20	17	19	30,647	11,555
11/11/15	35	20	35	26	31	34,845	17,096
11/12/15	40	34	38	36	38	34,946	20,122
11/13/15	33	35	31	36	33	30,458	18,019
11/14/15	27	26	23	27	25	25,572	14,572
11/15/15	20	23	14	24	19	23,300	11,621
11/16/15	20	19	19	22	20	32,067	12,115
11/17/15	23	17	28	18	23	33,327	13,378
11/18/15	38	29	38	30	35	39,938	18,932
11/19/15	56	49	49	47	51	45,793	26,044
11/20/15	51	49	49	50	50	42,377	25,787
11/21/15	51	51	47	55	51	41,135	26,054
11/22/15	44	46	39	46	43	38,166	22,618
11/23/15	42	34	31	39	37	41,556	19,644
11/24/15	37	35	31	39	35	39,709	18,916
11/25/15	43	32	45	41	42	38,784	22,035
11/26/15	59	53	57	58	57	40,112	29,125
11/27/15	55	49	52	56	53	41,271	27,167
11/28/15	47	44	43	48	45	37,805	23,566
11/29/15	44	39	34	43	40	35,584	20,989
11/30/15	38	37	34	39	37	41,911	19,789
12/1/15	37	33	45	38	40	40,889	21,096
12/2/15	44	36	51	39	44	44,693	23,077
12/3/15	40	41	43	40	41	43,654	21,790
12/4/15	33	36	40	32	36	32,147	19,245
12/5/15	35	29	38	31	34	31,549	18,524
12/6/15	30	36	40	31	34	33,304	18,599
12/7/15	36	34	36	33	35	44,014	18,893
12/8/15	34	32	36	36	35	45,555	18,750
12/9/15	27	30	29	34	30	40,936	16,456
12/10/15	34	31	30	36	32	39,889	17,741
12/11/15	36	31	34	40	35	37,827	19,065
12/12/15	34	31	37	36	35	34,622	18,884

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12/13/15	38	35	37	37	37	34,280	19,776
12/14/15	45	41	39	46	43	45,334	22,403
12/15/15	44	41	41	47	43	46,439	22,610
12/16/15	47	42	49	48	47	47,515	24,499
12/17/15	57	52	56	57	56	52,101	28,345
12/18/15	68	65	64	65	65	52,664	32,832
12/19/15	58	56	55	56	56	45,194	28,529
12/20/15	45	42	49	46	46	40,062	24,045
12/21/15	46	44	49	48	47	47,033	24,476
12/22/15	41	38	41	40	40	41,878	21,369
12/23/15	52	43	51	45	49	43,072	25,127
12/24/15	56	49	50	62	54	40,150	27,657
12/25/15	49	43	50	49	49	37,470	25,124
12/26/15	65	51	69	64	64	48,139	32,163
12/27/15	66	61	66	67	66	54,165	32,877
12/28/15	58	50	58	61	57	60,068	29,200
12/29/15	53	53	51	59	54	62,360	27,431
12/30/15	52	49	58	55	54	53,457	27,696
12/31/15	54	52	50	53	52	47,342	26,782
1/1/16	50	49	51	51	50	43,486	25,942
1/2/16	48	46	47	50	48	41,754	24,848
1/3/16	53	44	50	44	49	46,539	25,232
1/4/16	54	48	54	44	51	50,155	26,152
1/5/16	44	42	44	43	43	53,519	22,714
1/6/16	43	40	41	42	42	52,584	21,918
1/7/16	43	36	47	40	43	45,032	22,543
1/8/16	68	51	69	60	64	53,050	32,167
1/9/16	87	78	82	84	83	64,468	40,948
1/10/16	79	79	79	79	79	67,114	38,978
1/11/16	78	79	76	77	77	70,351	38,324
1/12/16	74	75	71	78	74	67,963	36,812
1/13/16	57	61	51	75	59	62,713	30,087
1/14/16	63	53	64	63	62	61,184	31,372
1/15/16	79	71	76	75	76	60,257	37,652
1/16/16	92	87	87	86	88	67,515	43,198
1/17/16	87	85	78	84	83	68,333	40,758
1/18/16	80	79	70	77	75	70,741	37,411
1/19/16	70	67	61	72	67	64,367	33,607
1/20/16	54	55	48	58	53	54,997	27,125
1/21/16	56	53	62	55	57	54,469	29,185
1/22/16	56	53	66	54	59	47,404	29,711
1/23/16	48	51	47	47	48	41,966	24,725
1/24/16	40	41	48	43	43	39,543	22,753
1/25/16	47	44	47	46	46	46,099	24,035
1/26/16	49	49	49	49	49	48,960	25,309
1/27/16	43	44	41	48	43	47,587	22,766
1/28/16	53	56	46	62	53	46,368	27,159
1/29/16	41	46	35	43	40	37,671	21,238
1/30/16	41	38	40	37	39	34,741	20,873
1/31/16	45	37	40	52	44	37,969	22,813
2/1/16	41	42	38	47	41	47,312	21,889
2/2/16	55	51	53	57	54	52,446	27,677
2/3/16	56	60	51	59	56	52,389	28,336
2/4/16	55	57	50	58	54	50,401	27,524
2/5/16	47	52	43	49	47	43,342	24,374
2/6/16	39	40	37	41	39	35,923	20,806
2/7/16	57	49	52	52	53	46,408	27,193
2/8/16	73	69	66	75	71	62,786	35,184
2/9/16	71	73	61	76	69	65,810	34,394
2/10/16	72	69	60	76	68	65,481	34,225
2/11/16	70	66	62	71	67	59,176	33,647
2/12/16	85	80	75	87	81	64,243	40,053
2/13/16	78	69	70	77	73	57,140	36,419
2/14/16	55	59	51	57	55	50,354	27,854
2/15/16	42	45	40	50	43	47,203	22,712
2/16/16	63	62	47	70	59	54,709	29,818
2/17/16	55	54	45	60	53	48,463	26,953
2/18/16	38	38	34	39	37	36,916	19,709
2/19/16	35	31	27	33	31	31,848	17,259
2/20/16	45	36	41	46	43	35,182	22,408
2/21/16	49	43	48	60	50	42,045	25,941
2/22/16	44	42	39	47	43	44,335	22,387
2/23/16	40	36	40	38	39	42,934	20,749
2/24/16	42	43	38	49	42	45,496	22,271
2/25/16	51	49	43	52	48	48,232	24,887
2/26/16	37	40	31	37	35	34,842	18,937
2/27/16	33	28	29	38	32	29,111	17,603
2/28/16	58	53	53	62	56	44,223	28,648
2/29/16	67	62	64	75	67	62,186	33,589
3/1/16	56	58	49	65	56	59,595	28,488
3/2/16	45	45	41	58	47	55,632	24,338
3/3/16	53	49	45	58	51	54,154	26,111
3/4/16	45	43	38	55	44	49,277	23,197
3/5/16	42	40	38	42	40	39,539	21,266
3/6/16	25	26	18	28	23	30,470	13,501
3/7/16	23	32	13	25	21	32,771	12,641
3/8/16	32	23	36	33	32	36,951	17,742
3/9/16	38	32	38	37	37	42,231	19,845
3/10/16	30	32	31	34	32	36,193	17,419

Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation
 2016-2017 Demand Entitlement
 MERC-Consolidated
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3/11/16	22	21	18	24	21	29,273	12,414	
3/12/16	15	16	10	19	14	25,879	9,434	
3/13/16	25	25	18	18	21	30,913	12,485	
3/14/16	19	22	13	22	18	33,346	11,075	Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation
3/15/16	27	30	23	27	26	40,279	14,722	2016-2017 Demand Entitlement
3/16/16	38	36	31	39	36	53,861	19,170	MERC-Consolidated
3/17/16	41	37	39	46	41	51,334	21,501	Attachment 9
3/18/16	45	47	34	51	43	44,675	22,390	
3/19/16	39	42	37	43	40	40,306	20,980	
3/20/16	37	37	32	42	36	36,358	19,452	
3/21/16	34	34	27	39	33	44,093	17,927	
3/22/16	37	39	29	44	36	48,481	19,472	
3/23/16	41	44	37	46	41	44,216	21,744	
3/24/16	33	38	30	38	34	36,411	18,385	
3/25/16	38	30	39	41	38	33,161	20,203	
3/26/16	40	36	36	42	39	32,774	20,526	
3/27/16	28	33	22	29	27	28,779	15,257	
3/28/16	29	30	19	29	26	35,600	14,621	
3/29/16	17	19	9	20	15	34,285	9,901	
3/30/16	28	28	23	24	25	36,577	14,525	
3/31/16	33	33	30	35	32	36,370	17,637	
4/1/16	48	43	42	50	46	37,545	23,734	
4/2/16	49	46	42	50	46	36,406	24,177	
4/3/16	44	43	36	50	42	34,267	22,260	
4/4/16	38	37	35	43	38	39,061	20,191	
4/5/16	36	34	25	32	31	39,216	16,989	
4/6/16	36	33	31	34	33	37,541	18,218	
4/7/16	41	40	42	41	41	39,928	21,763	
4/8/16	54	52	46	54	51	40,107	26,136	
4/9/16	44	42	33	45	40	36,789	21,209	
4/10/16	43	31	37	40	39	38,138	20,531	
4/11/16	48	42	39	47	44	46,639	22,937	
4/12/16	30	30	32	32	31	37,690	17,220	
4/13/16	21	26	14	22	20	28,656	11,893	
4/14/16	4	9	2	9	5	23,567	5,291	
4/15/16	3	6	10	2	6	19,682	5,648	
4/16/16	3	6	12	6	7	26,768	6,180	
4/17/16	11	10	20	23	17	24,904	10,535	
4/18/16	24	29	17	26	23	32,912	13,221	
4/19/16	19	26	16	15	18	30,741	11,157	
4/20/16	15	14	11	15	13	29,618	9,033	
4/21/16	31	16	26	32	27	32,458	15,441	
4/22/16	19	27	15	23	20	24,385	11,991	
4/23/16	18	23	11	22	17	27,224	10,813	
4/24/16	29	34	17	28	25	29,141	14,347	
4/25/16	32	35	26	32	30	37,681	16,766	
4/26/16	23	28	23	25	24	31,943	14,051	
4/27/16	21	27	18	23	21	31,097	12,634	
4/28/16	24	29	18	24	23	27,997	13,340	
4/29/16	20	23	13	24	19	21,495	11,559	
4/30/16	25	28	19	24	23	24,683	13,538	
5/1/16	20	25	11	22	18	23,932	11,170	
5/2/16	10	12	7	13	10	24,331	7,392	
5/3/16	17	13	14	19	16	29,684	10,139	
5/4/16	14	18	5	17	12	29,219	8,440	
5/5/16	0	2	0	0	0	21,624	3,031	
5/6/16	6	0	2	3	3	15,952	4,290	
5/7/16	17	16	10	20	15	19,386	9,783	
5/8/16	7	14	0	12	7	20,236	5,984	
5/9/16	6	17	1	6	6	24,468	5,613	
5/10/16	19	23	7	7	12	26,599	8,635	
5/11/16	17	18	11	17	15	26,121	9,876	
5/12/16	26	16	18	24	21	28,794	12,713	
5/13/16	37	32	33	34	34	31,322	18,517	
5/14/16	32	33	22	33	29	29,421	16,180	
5/15/16	20	16	13	28	19	24,650	11,490	
5/16/16	20	21	17	25	20	28,801	12,142	
5/17/16	18	16	7	19	14	26,858	9,385	
5/18/16	12	14	1	12	8	26,561	6,658	
5/19/16	6	8	0	6	4	22,905	4,834	
5/20/16	10	9	1	8	6	20,917	5,688	
5/21/16	0	3	0	5	1	16,417	3,599	
5/22/16	0	0	0	0	0	16,318	2,927	
5/23/16	0	0	0	2	0	23,451	3,095	
5/24/16	0	2	0	3	1	26,736	3,361	
5/25/16	6	18	6	5	7	25,747	6,245	
5/26/16	4	7	0	4	3	20,876	4,285	
5/27/16	4	11	0	1	3	16,738	4,276	
5/28/16	8	8	1	8	5	13,225	5,438	
5/29/16	10	3	0	10	6	11,724	5,441	
5/30/16	0	3	0	3	1	12,796	3,438	
5/31/16	5	22	3	14	9	24,713	6,911	
6/1/16	14	11	12	9	12	27,238	8,231	
6/2/16	6	9	0	12	6	23,215	5,617	
6/3/16	6	15	1	3	5	20,396	5,078	
6/4/16	6	12	1	12	6	16,754	5,810	
6/5/16	2	3	0	4	2	17,784	3,713	
6/6/16	15	11	8	20	13	27,613	8,802	
6/7/16	13	14	4	19	11	25,619	8,105	

6/8/16	3	5	0	9	4	22,271	4,597
6/9/16	0	9	0	0	1	17,843	3,457
6/10/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,182	2,927
6/11/16	0	0	0	5	1	15,299	3,442
6/12/16	6	12	0	10	6	17,003	5,506
6/13/16	1	11	0	7	3	25,266	4,424
6/14/16	6	14	0	4	4	25,926	4,948
6/15/16	5	12	0	5	4	23,699	4,806
6/16/16	0	3	0	0	0	21,096	3,086
6/17/16	2	0	0	3	1	15,428	3,409
6/18/16	0	0	0	0	0	14,659	2,927
6/19/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,290	2,927
6/20/16	2	2	0	7	3	22,557	4,087
6/21/16	3	1	0	8	3	23,752	4,108
6/22/16	7	6	0	10	5	23,417	5,216
6/23/16	1	0	0	1	0	22,185	3,110
6/24/16	0	0	0	0	0	17,184	2,927
6/25/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,209	2,927
6/26/16	2	0	0	5	2	16,259	3,635
6/27/16	13	11	5	13	10	21,328	7,366
6/28/16	3	3	0	3	2	20,754	3,728
6/29/16	0	0	0	0	0	20,324	2,927
6/30/16	13	7	8	15	11	19,252	7,976
Totals	9,210	8,872	8,094	9,616	8,866	11,421,377	5,123,223

* Volumes include interruptible and transportation volumes

** Design Model numbers are used to calculate firm volumes only

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

Customer Counts by PGAC Class - July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Tariff Rate Class	Rate Designation	Jul-15 Average Customers	Aug-15 Average Customers	Sep-15 Average Customers	Oct-15 Average Customers	Nov-15 Average Customers	Dec-15 Average Customers	Jan-16 Average Customers	Feb-16 Average Customers	Mar-16 Average Customers	Apr-16 Average Customers	May-16 Average Customers	Jun-16 Average Customers	Annual Average Customers
GS- Residential	MERC000002	30,716	29,012	29,240	32,608	25,483	29,895	31,482	31,337	30,131	30,343	30,246	30,317	30,068
GS-C&I <1,500 therms/yr (Small)	MERC000006	2,117	2,069	2,061	2,259	1,798	2,097	2,194	2,197	2,114	2,140	2,118	2,099	2,105
GS-C&I >1,500 therms/yr (Large)	MERC000010	3,225	3,225	3,189	3,559	2,728	3,228	3,383	3,414	3,239	3,251	3,248	3,215	3,242
Small Volume Interruptible (SVI)	MERC000017	75	75	75	75	74	73	73	68	65	16	155	51	73
Small Volume Interruptible w/Joint (SVJ)	MERC000021	5	5	5	5	5	3	5	4	3	2	7	0	4
Large Volume Interruptible (LVI)	MERC000024	8	6	8	8	7	7	7	5	7	3	13	5	7
Large Volume Interruptible w/Joint (LVJ)	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		36,146	34,392	34,578	38,514	30,095	35,303	37,144	37,025	35,559	35,755	35,787	35,687	35,499

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Projected Storage Cost - November 2016 through March 2017

Month/ Year	K#118657 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130698 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130699 NNG Storage	Total NNG Storage	Projected NNG WACOG	K#118657 NNG Storage Cost	K#130698 NNG Storage Cost	K#130699 NNG Storage Cost	Total NNG Storage Cost	AECO Storage GLGT/VGT Centra Emerson	AECO Storage GLGT/VGT Centra Emerson	AECO Storage GLGT/VGT Centra Emerson	NNG-ABL K#22335 NNG Projected WACOG	NNG-ABL K#22335 NNG Projected Cost
Nov-16	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2.2348	\$ 1,017,396	\$ 152,523	\$ 108,945	\$ 1,278,863	85,304	\$ 1.4605	\$ 124,586	34,125	\$ 2.6571 \$ 90,674
Dec-16	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	231,768	\$ 1.4605	\$ 338,496	85,750	\$ 2.6571 \$ 227,848
Jan-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	231,768	\$ 1.4605	\$ 338,496	85,750	\$ 2.6571 \$ 227,848
Feb-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	209,339	\$ 1.4605	\$ 305,739	85,750	\$ 2.6571 \$ 227,848
Mar-17	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2.2348	\$ 1,017,396	\$ 152,523	\$ 108,945	\$ 1,278,863	96,374	\$ 1.4605	\$ 140,754	34,125	\$ 2.6571 \$ 90,674
Total	4,342,470	651,000	465,000	5,458,470	\$ 2.2348	\$ 9,704,387	\$ 1,454,830	\$ 1,039,164	\$ 12,198,381	854,552	\$ 1.4605	\$ 1,248,070	325,500	\$ 2.6571 \$ 864,894

Month/ Year	NNG Storage Volume		NNG Indexes Price		AECO Storage Volume		Total AECO Market WACOG		Total AECO Market Cost		Month/ Year	NNG-ABL Storage Volume		NNG-ABL Indexes Price		NNG-ABL Indexes Cost	
	NNG Storage Volume	NNG Indexes Price	NNG Storage Volume	NNG Indexes Cost	Month/ Year	AECO Storage Volume	Total AECO Market WACOG	Total AECO Market Cost	Month/ Year	NNG-ABL Storage Volume	NNG-ABL Indexes Price	NNG-ABL Indexes Cost	Month/ Year	NNG-ABL Storage Volume	NNG-ABL Indexes Price	NNG-ABL Indexes Cost	
Nov-16	572,259	\$ 2.8410	\$ 1,625,788		Nov-16	85,304	\$ 2.2935	\$ 195,644	Nov-16	34,125	\$ 2.8410	\$ 96,949					
Dec-16	1,437,984	\$ 3.4365	\$ 4,941,632		Dec-16	231,768	\$ 2.3790	\$ 551,376	Dec-16	85,750	\$ 3.4365	\$ 294,680					
Jan-17	1,437,984	\$ 3.8650	\$ 5,557,808		Jan-17	231,768	\$ 2.4475	\$ 567,252	Jan-17	85,750	\$ 3.8650	\$ 331,424					
Feb-17	1,437,984	\$ 3.9095	\$ 5,621,798		Feb-17	209,339	\$ 2.4595	\$ 514,868	Feb-17	85,750	\$ 3.9095	\$ 335,240					
Mar-17	572,259	\$ 3.4900	\$ 1,997,184		Mar-17	96,374	\$ 2.4200	\$ 233,225	Mar-17	34,125	\$ 3.4900	\$ 119,096					
Total	5,458,470	\$ 3.6172	\$ 19,744,210		Total	854,552	\$ 2.4134	\$ 2,062,364	Total	325,500	\$ 3.6172	\$ 1,177,389					\$ 312,495
				\$ 7,545,829													

Max NNG-MERC Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	5,458,470	5,869,321	09/30/16 Storage Balance - NNG-MERC	4,579,317	78.02%	4,258,766
Max AECO Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	854,552	947,817	09/30/16 Storage Balance - AECO	797,474	84.14%	719,003
Max NNG-ABL Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	325,500	350,000	09/30/16 Storage Balance - NNG-ABL	275,072	78.59%	255,817

Month/ Year	K#118657 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130698 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130699 NNG Storage	Total NNG Storage	Projected K#118657 NNG WACOG	Projected K#130698 NNG WACOG	Projected K#130699 NNG WACOG	WACOG	Projected NNG Indexes Price	Projected NNG Indexes Cost	Additional Storage (Savings)/ Cost
Nov-16	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 1,278,863	\$ 2.8410	\$ 1,625,788	\$ (346,925)
Dec-16	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3.4365	\$ 4,941,632	\$ (1,728,080)
Jan-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3.8650	\$ 5,557,808	\$ (2,344,256)
Feb-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3.9095	\$ 5,621,798	\$ (2,408,246)
Mar-17	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 2.2348	\$ 1,278,863	\$ 3.4900	\$ 1,997,184	\$ (718,321)
Total	4,342,470	651,000	465,000	5,458,470	\$ 2.8092	\$ 2.8092	\$ 2.8092	\$ 12,198,381	\$ 3.1285	\$ 19,744,210	\$ (7,545,829)

Month/ Year	NNG-ABL Storage Volume	K#22335 NNG Projected WACOG	K#22335 NNG Projected Cost	NNG-ABL Indexes Price	NNG-ABL Indexes Cost	Additional Storage (Savings)/ Cost
Nov-16	34,125	\$ 2.6571	\$ 90,674	\$ 2.8410	\$ 96,949	\$ (6,275)
Dec-16	85,750	\$ 2.6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3.4365	\$ 294,680	\$ (66,831)
Jan-17	85,750	\$ 2.6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3.8650	\$ 331,424	\$ (103,575)
Feb-17	85,750	\$ 2.6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3.9095	\$ 335,240	\$ (107,391)
Mar-17	34,125	\$ 2.6571	\$ 90,674	\$ 3.4900	\$ 119,096	\$ (28,422)
Total	325,500	\$ 2.6571	\$ 864,894	\$ 3.6172	\$ 1,177,389	\$ (312,495)

*Indexes and projected WACOG based on 7/14/16 market prices

In the Matter of the Petition of Minnesota
Energy Resources Corporation for Approval of
a Change in Demand Entitlement for its
Consolidated System

Docket No. G011/M-16-651

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kristin M. Stastny, hereby certify that on the 1st day of November, 2016, on behalf of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) I electronically filed a true and correct copy of MERC's Updates to its Petition for Approval of a Change in Demand Entitlement on www.edockets.state.mn.us. Said documents were also served via U.S. mail and electronic service as designated on the attached service list.

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

DESIGN-DAY DEMAND SUMMARY NOVEMBER 1, 2016

Design Day Requirement		55,528
Total Peak Day Entitlement		54,899
2015/16 Firm Peak Day Actual Sendout	1/17/2016	42,679
Firm Annual Throughput - Minnesota		4,823,288
No. of Firm Customers		35,499
Department Load Factor Calculation		30.96%

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

MINNESOTA DESIGN DAY REQUIREMENTS

NOVEMBER 1, 2016

HDD

Pipeline Group	2015/16 Customer Count	1/20 Design DDD	Regression Factors		Regression Total	Add Adjustment	1/20 Requirements Regression Load	Estimated Contract Demand Units	Total
			Intercept	Slope					

VGT

Peak		109	635	138	15,174	1,407	16,581	7	16,588
Off Peak		57	635	138	8,527	1,093	9,620	7	9,627

GLGT

Peak		107	1,936	243	27,666	1,928	29,594	214	29,808
Off Peak		57	1,936	243	15,167	1,845	17,012	214	17,226

Centra

Peak		107	356	76	8,490	642	9,132	0	9,132
Off Peak		57	356	76	4,712	447	5,159	0	5,159

Total Consolidated

Peak	35,499	107	2,927	457	51,330	3,977	55,307	221	55,528
Off Peak	35,499	57	2,927	457	28,406	3,385	31,791	221	32,012

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

DESIGN-DAY DEMAND PER CUSTOMER NOVEMBER 1, 2016

<u>Heating Season</u>	<u>No. of Firm Customers</u>	<u>Design Day Requirements</u>	<u>MMBtu /Customer /Day</u>
16/17	35,499	55,528	1.56
15/16	34,799	53,075	1.53
14/15	34,397	48,706	1.42
13/14	34,007	50,048	1.47
12/13	33,630	52,289	1.55
11/12	33,384	50,366	1.51
10/11	33,399	50,779	1.52
09/10	34,053	53,931	1.58
08/09	32,632	59,654	1.83
07/08	32,454	57,202	1.76

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

SUMMER/WINTER USAGE - Mcf
PROJECTED 12 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 2016
Consolidated

<u>Class</u>	<u>Summer</u> <u>Apr-Oct</u>	<u>Winter</u> <u>Nov-Mar</u>	<u>Total</u>
GS	1,280,070	3,520,323	4,800,393
SVI	139,761	287,013	426,774
SVJ	5,477	17,418	22,895
LVI	226,964	270,875	497,839
LVJ	0	0	0
SLV	0	0	0
IS	0	0	0
Total	<u>1,652,272</u>	<u>4,095,629</u>	<u>5,747,901</u>

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

ENTITLEMENT LEVELS PROPOSED TO BE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2016

<u>Capacity Type</u>		<i>Summer</i>			<i>April/October</i>			<i>Winter</i>		
		2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu	2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu	2015/16 MMBtu	Change MMBtu	Proposed MMBtu
FT Western Zone	FT0016	10,130	0	10,130	10,130	0	10,130	10,130	0	10,130
FT Western Zone	FT15782	9,000	0	9,000	9,000	0	9,000	9,000	0	9,000
FT Western Zone (12)	FT17891 (12)	3,600	0	3,600	3,600	0	3,600	3,600	0	3,600
FT Western Zone (5)	FT17891 (5)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,728	0	3,728
FT Western Zone (5)	FT18283	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,300	50	3,350
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0012	12,493	0	12,493	12,493	0	12,493	12,493	0	12,493
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0209	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,098	0	1,098
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0102	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	0	2,000
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF00229	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	(1,000)	0
CENTRA FT-1		9,100	0	9,100	9,100	0	9,100	9,100	400	9,500
Total Entitlement		46,323	0	46,323	46,323	0	46,323	55,449	(550)	54,899
Forecasted Design Day-Adjusted					31,599	413	32,012	53,075	2,453	55,528
Capacity Surplus/Shortage					14,724	(413)	14,311	2,374	(3,003)	(629)
Reserve Margin					46.60%	-1.89%	44.71%	4.47%	-5.61%	-1.13%

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE

NOVEMBER 1, 2016

All costs in \$/Dth	Base Cost of Gas G011/MR15-748 Jan 1, 2016	Demand Charge Oct 1, 2015	Demand Charge Demand Filing Nov 1, 2015	Most Recent PGA Oct 1, 2016	Proposed Effective Nov 1, 2016	Result of Proposed Change			
						Change from Last Rate Case	Change from Nov 1, 2015 Demand Filing	Change from Last PGA %	Change from Last PGA \$
1) General Service Residential Avg. Annual Use:									
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Demand Cost	\$0.7996	\$0.7968	\$0.8006	\$0.7422	\$0.7255	-9.27%	-8.95%	-2.25%	(\$0.0167)
Commodity Margin	\$2.3980	\$2.1806	\$2.1806	\$2.3980	\$2.3980	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$7.0497	\$6.1722	\$6.1106	\$6.3528	\$6.1368	-12.95%	-0.57%	-3.40%	(\$0.2160)
Avg Annual Cost	\$528.73	\$462.92	\$458.30	\$476.46	\$460.26	-12.95%	-0.57%	-3.40%	(\$16.20)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$14.95)
Effect of proposed demand change on average annual bills:									(\$1.25)
2) Large General Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Demand Cost	\$0.7996	\$0.7968	\$0.8006	\$0.7422	\$0.7255	-9.27%	-8.95%	-2.25%	(\$0.0167)
Commodity Margin	\$1.8232	\$1.6579	\$1.6579	\$1.8232	\$1.8232	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$6.4749	\$5.6495	\$5.5879	\$5.7780	\$5.5620	-14.10%	-1.55%	-3.74%	(\$0.2160)
Avg Annual Cost	\$3,865.52	\$3,372.75	\$3,335.98	\$3,449.47	\$3,320.53	-14.10%	-1.55%	-3.74%	(\$128.94)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$118.97)
Effect of proposed demand change on average annual bills:									(\$9.97)
3) SV Interruptible Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Commodity Margin	\$0.9336	\$0.8490	\$0.8490	\$0.9336	\$0.9336	0.00%	9.96%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$4.7857	\$4.0438	\$3.9784	\$4.1462	\$3.9469	-17.53%	-2.40%	-4.81%	(\$0.1993)
Avg Annual Cost	\$26,048.57	\$22,010.40	\$21,654.43	\$22,567.77	\$21,483.10	-17.53%	-2.40%	-4.81%	(\$1,084.67)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$1,084.67)
4) LV Interruptible Service: Avg. Annual Use:									
Commodity Cost	\$3.8521	\$3.1948	\$3.1294	\$3.2126	\$3.0133	-21.77%	-5.68%	-6.20%	(\$0.1993)
Commodity Margin	\$0.5007	\$0.4553	\$0.4553	\$0.5007	\$0.5007	0.00%	9.97%	0.00%	\$0.0000
Total Cost of Gas	\$4.3528	\$3.6501	\$3.5847	\$3.7133	\$3.5140	-19.27%	-3.73%	-5.37%	(\$0.1993)
Avg Annual Cost	\$290,083.65	\$243,253.61	\$238,895.16	\$247,465.45	\$234,185.01	-19.27%	-3.73%	-5.37%	(\$13,280.44)
Effect of proposed commodity change on average annual bills:									(\$13,280.44)

Note: Average Annual Average based on NNG Annual Automatic Adjustment Report in Docket No. E,G999/AA-16-524

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED
RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE
NOVEMBER 1, 2016

DEMAND								
Contract Type		Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs	Rate Case Sales (therms)	\$/therm
Viking (VGT)								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0012	Annual	12,493	12	4.3706	\$ 655,223	49,765,067	\$ 0.01317
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0209	Winter	1,098	3	4.3706	\$ 14,397	49,765,067	\$ 0.00029
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	AF0102	Annual	2,000	12	4.5607	\$ 109,457	49,765,067	\$ 0.00220
VGT Demand					\$	779,077	49,765,067	\$ 0.01566
Great Lakes (GLGT)								
FT Western Zone	FT0016	Annual	10,130	12	\$3.8490	\$ 467,884	49,765,067	\$ 0.00940
FT Western Zone	FT15782	Annual	9,000	12	\$3.8490	\$ 415,692	49,765,067	\$ 0.00835
FT Western Zone (12)	FT17891 (12)	Annual	3,600	12	\$3.8490	\$ 166,277	49,765,067	\$ 0.00334
FT Western Zone (5)	FT17891 (5)	Winter	3,728	5	\$3.8490	\$ 71,745	49,765,067	\$ 0.00144
FT Western Zone (5)	FT18462 (5)	Winter	3,350	5	\$3.8490	\$ 64,471	49,765,067	\$ 0.00130
GLGT Demand					\$	1,186,069	49,765,067	\$ 0.02383
Centra								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION		Annual	9,500	12	\$11,1338	\$ 1,269,253	49,765,067	\$ 0.02550
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES		Annual	9,500	12	\$3,2990	\$ 376,086	49,765,067	\$ 0.00756
Centra Demand					\$	1,645,339	49,765,067	\$ 0.03306
MERC-Consolidated DEMAND - \$/therm					\$	3,610,485		\$ 0.07255
FOR JOINT RATE DEMAND					49,765,067	Annual Firm Sales in therms		
MERC-Consolidated Firm (GS) Sales as approved in Docket No. G011/MR-15-748								
Viking (VGT)								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1		Annual	12,493	12	149,916			
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1		Winter	1,098	3	3,294			
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1		Annual	2,000	12	24,000			
Great Lakes (GLGT)								
FT Western Zone		Annual	10,130	12	121,560			
FT Western Zone		Annual	9,000	12	108,000			
FT Western Zone (12)		Annual	3,600	12	43,200			
FT Western Zone (5)		Winter	3,728	5	18,640			
FT Western Zone (5)	FT18462 (5)	Winter	3,350	5	16,750			
Centra								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION		Annual	9,500	12	114,000			
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES		Annual	9,500	12	114,000			
Total Demand Cost			\$ 3,610,485					
Total Demand Weighted Vol in therms			5,993,600					
Total Joint Demand Rate \$/therm				\$ 0.60239	/therm			

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED
RATE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEMAND CHANGE

PRESENT AVERAGE COST OF GAS COMMODITY

NOVEMBER 1, 2016

		Rate	Annual Dth	Call Option Premium	Physical Forward Start Premium	Balancing Service	Total Annual Cost	System Cost/therm	Storage Comm Rate	Total Comm Rate	REFERENCE	Effective
WACOG	VGT	\$2.70290										
GAS COST		\$0.04088										
FUEL	1.49%											
COMMODITY TRANSPORTATION		\$0.01160										
GRI		\$0.00000										
ACA		\$0.00130										
VGT Commodity		\$2.75668	2,145,731	\$86,440	\$23,783	\$89,580	\$6,114,898	\$0.10754			Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
GLGT		\$2.70290									Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
GAS COST		\$0.03789									Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
FUEL	1.383%										Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
COMMODITY TRANSPORTATION		\$0.00394									Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
GRI		\$0.00000									Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
ACA		\$0.00130									Sub 16th Revised Sheet No. 5E Apr. 1, 2006	
GLGT Commodity		\$2.74603	2,216,718	\$89,299	\$28,313	\$0	\$6,204,786	\$0.10913			VGT Commodity	
CENTRA												
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	(\$Cdn/103M3)		1.062								Sheet 1 (N.E.B.)	
Conversion		\$0.02247										
Abandonment Toll		\$0.27803									5 Revised Sheet 4 Contract	Jun 1, 1997
GAS COSTS		\$2.70290									Jun 1, 2004	
CUSTOMS FEE		\$0.00030									18th Revised Sheet No. 7	Oct. 1, 2005
CENTRA Commodity		\$3.00371	1,323,492	\$53,316	\$0	\$54,000	\$4,082,698	\$0.07180			GLGT Commodity	
Consolidated WACOG w/Premium & Balancing			5,685,941	\$229,055	\$52,096	\$143,580	\$16,402,382	\$0.28847	\$0.01286			
	Total Annual Sales in therms		56,859,413									
											\$0.30133 Total Consolidated WACOG-\$/therm	

Balancing Service						
Pipeline	Description	Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs
VGT	Balancing Agreement	Annual	7,465	12	\$1.0000	\$89,580
GLGT	--		0	0	\$0.0000	\$0
Centra	Union Balancing	Annual	10,000	12	\$0.4500	\$54,000

Storage Service						
Season	Monthly Entitlement (Dth)	Months	Rate (\$/Dth)	Contract Costs	Annual Sales (therms)	Rate (\$/therm)
Niska Storage (AECO)	Annual	947,820	1	\$0.4676	\$443,205	\$56,859,413 \$0.00779
AECO/Emerson Swap	Annual	758,254	1	\$ 0.38000	\$288,137	\$56,859,413 \$0.00507
					\$731,341	\$56,859,413 \$0.01286

Total Commodity Cost:

\$0.30133

* Per Docket No. G-007/M-07-1402-05 dated August 6th, 2014, storage demand charges will be allocated through the commodity charge effective 11/01/2014.

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Financial Options Heating Season 2016-2017

Units - Gas Daily Peaker Packages (Physical)

<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>		<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>Term Total</u>
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	
N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		

Premium - Gas Daily Peaker (Monthly Cost)

<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>		<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>Total Premium Cost</u>
Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	
N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		N/A		

Units - Futures (Daily Volume)

<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>		<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>Term Total</u>
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	
1 05/18/16	438	05/26/16	281	05/25/16	634	05/19/16	630	05/23/16	430	72,444
2 06/02/16	313	05/26/16	224	06/20/16	634	06/14/16	630	05/23/16	54	55,288
3 07/07/16 188	505	07/22/16	518	07/22/16	315	07/13/16	315	06/16/16	430	59,505
4 07/07/16 125	393	08/22/16	518	07/13/16	252	07/18/16	376	50,721		
5 08/02/16 313	393	09/19/16	461	08/04/16	252	08/08/16	323	52,893		
6 09/07/16 313	393	10/18/16	461	08/04/16	252	09/15/16	269	51,227		
7 10/05/16 313	393	10/24/16	393	09/09/16	441	09/15/16	54	35,569		
8				10/11/16	441	10/13/16	323	22,353		
9										
10										

Total **2,000** **2,581** **3,226** **3,214** **2,258** **400,000**

Units - Call Options (Daily Volume)

<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>		<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>Term Total</u>
Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	Contract Date	Daily Volume	
1 05/24/16	677	05/20/16	992	05/19/16	1,142	05/25/16	567	05/18/16	864	129,119
2 06/17/16	677	06/15/16	933	06/13/16	1,142	05/26/16	567	06/01/16	864	127,310
3 07/21/16 677	933	07/15/16	1,085	07/11/16	1,085	06/21/16	1,134	07/06/16	864	141,423
4 08/09/16 564	933	08/05/16	1,085	08/03/16	1,071	07/25/16	749	08/01/16	749	132,702
5 09/15/16 564	875	09/09/16	1,028	09/08/16	1,071	08/23/16	749	09/06/16	749	129,123
6 10/03/16 508	817	10/12/16	971	10/07/16	630	09/20/16	378	10/17/16	749	111,500
7				09/20/16	1,008	10/20/16				10,588
8										28,235
Total 3,667	5,484	6,452				6,429		4,839	810,000	

Premium - Call Option (Monthly Cost)

<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>		<u>February</u>		<u>March</u>		<u>Total Premium Cost</u>
Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	Option Premium	Premium Cost	
1 \$ 0.1840	\$ 3,737	\$ 0.2420	\$ 7,440	\$ 0.2580	\$ 9,133	\$ 0.3300	\$ 5,241	\$ 0.3600	\$ 9,643	\$ 0.2726 \$ 35,194
2 \$ 0.2020	\$ 4,102	\$ 0.2410	\$ 6,974	\$ 0.2860	\$ 10,124	\$ 0.3500	\$ 5,559	\$ 0.3680	\$ 9,857	\$ 0.2876 \$ 36,616
3 \$ 0.1800	\$ 3,655	\$ 0.2750	\$ 7,957	\$ 0.2750	\$ 9,248	\$ 0.3470	\$ 11,022	\$ 0.4530	\$ 12,134	\$ 0.3112 \$ 44,017
4 \$ 0.1450	\$ 2,454	\$ 0.2560	\$ 7,408	\$ 0.3000	\$ 10,088	\$ 0.3400	\$ 10,200	\$ 0.3530	\$ 8,195	\$ 0.2890 \$ 38,345
5 \$ 0.1540	\$ 2,606	\$ 0.1700	\$ 4,612	\$ 0.3080	\$ 9,812	\$ 0.3640	\$ 10,920	\$ 0.3500	\$ 8,125	\$ 0.2794 \$ 36,075
6 \$ 0.0860	\$ 1,310	\$ 0.1500	\$ 3,798	\$ 0.2960	\$ 8,906	\$ 0.3270	\$ 5,771	\$ 0.3400	\$ 7,893	\$ 0.2482 \$ 27,677
7 \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.3260	\$ 3,452	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,452
8 \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.2720	\$ 7,680	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,680
Total \$ 0.1624	\$ 17,864	\$ 0.2246	\$ 38,189	\$ 0.2866	\$ 57,312	\$ 0.3325	\$ 59,845	\$ 0.3723	\$ 55,846	\$ 0.2828 \$ 229,055

Units - Collar Floor (put)

No Puts were purchased.

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation

2016-2017 Demand Entitlement

MERC-Consolidated

16/17 Winter Portfolio Plan - Total MERC Hedging Plan

10000 Contract Size		Nov-16		Dec-16		Jan-17		Feb-17		Mar-17		Total		Percent of Requirements	
System	Purchase Month	Number Contracts	Contract Volume												
MN Requirements		584,025		847,176		1,015,217		890,249		758,963			4,095,630	4,095,630	
GLGT-MN		19,468		27,328		32,749		31,795		24,483			26,945		
10%	Futures	58,403		84,718		101,522		89,025		75,896			409,563		
20%	Call Storage	116,805		169,435		203,043		178,050		151,793			819,126		
30%	Index	175,208		254,153		304,565		267,075		227,689			1,228,689		
40%		233,610		338,870		406,087		356,100		303,585			1,638,252		
Contracts															
	Aug-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	9	90,000				
	Sep-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	1	10,000	8	80,000				
	Oct-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	2	20,000	2	20,000	1	10,000	7	70,000		
	Total	1	10,000	1	10,000	2	20,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	6	60,000		
	May-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	5	50,000		
	Jun-16	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	1	10,000	5	50,000		
	Total	6	60,000	8	80,000	10	100,000	9	90,000	7	70,000	40	400,000	9.77%	
Call Options															
	Aug-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	4	40,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	15	150,000		
	Sep-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	4	40,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	15	150,000		
	Oct-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	14	140,000		
	Total	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	13	130,000		
	May-16	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	13	130,000		
	Jun-16	1	10,000	2	20,000	3	30,000	3	30,000	2	20,000	11	110,000		
	Total	11	110,000	17	170,000	20	200,000	18	180,000	15	150,000	81	810,000	19.78%	
Collars															
	Aug-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Sep-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Oct-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	May-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Jun-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Total	0	0	0.00%											
Index (back financial)															
Physical Hedges	Total		170,000	0		250,000	0		300,000	0		270,000	0	1,210,000	29.54%
Storage			85,304			231,768			231,768			209,339		854,552	20.86%
Prepaid Obl			0			0			0			0		0	0.00%
Term Index	Total	0	43.71%		56.87%		52.38%		53.84%		41.69%			50.41%	50.41%
	May-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	Jun-16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Total NNG MN															
Contracts														400,000	9.77%
Call Options														810,000	19.78%
Costing Collar														0	0.00%
Storage														854,552	20.86%
Prepaid Obl														0	0.00%
Term Index														0	0.00%
Month/Daily														2,031,078	49.59%
Total														4,095,630	100.00%

NOTE:

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

WINTER PLAN - CONSOLIDATED
NOVEMBER, 2016 THROUGH MARCH, 2017

PHYSICAL FIXED PRICE HEDGES	Deal #	Trigger Locked	Trigger Exercised	Receipt Point	Daily Volumes					Monthly Total
					Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	

No Physical Fixed Price Hedges

Total Actual Fixed/Option Physical

INDEX	Contract Number	Date	Receipt Point	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
	40709	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000
	40711	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000
	40719	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	180,000
	40708	8/25/2016	GLGT Emerson 2	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	604,000
	40706	8/25/2016	CTHI-Spruce	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	755,000
	Total Actual Seasonal Index			17,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	17,000	2,747,000

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Physical Call Option	40724	8/25/2016	VGT Emerson 1	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Physical Call Option	40716	8/25/2016	GLGT Emerson 2	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

STORAGE

Injection Month	Contract #		AECO Volume Injected	Total Volume Injected
	AEKO	Total		
May - balance forward	191,103	191,103		
June	184,938	184,938		
July	191,103	191,103		
August	191,103	191,103		
Sept	93,237	93,237		
Oct (est)	96,334	96,334		
Total	947,817	947,817		

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

	2012 Consolidated GS	2013 Consolidated GS	2014 Consolidated GS	2015 Consolidated GS	2016 Consolidated GS	Proposed Change
Viking Gas Transmission (VGT)						
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	12,493	12,493	12,493	12,493	12,493	0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	1,098	1,098	1,098	1,098	1,098	0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
FA-A ZONE 1 - 1	0	1,500	0	1,000	0	-1,000
Wadena Delivered GDD Option	3500	0	0	0	0	0
Great Lakes Gas Transmission (GLGT)						
FT Western Zone	10,130	10,130	10,130	10,130	10,130	0
FT Western Zone	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	0
FT Western Zone (12)	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	0
FT Western Zone (5)	3,638	3,638	3,638	3,728	3,728	0
FT Western Zone (5)	0	0	0	3,300	3,350	50
Centra Transmission Holding/Centra Minnesota Pipelines (CTHI/CPMI)						
Centra FT-1	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,100	9,500	400
Total VGT Transportation	19,091	17,091	15,591	16,591	15,591	-1,000
Total GLGT Transportation	26,368	26,368	26,368	29,758	29,808	50
Total CTHI/CPMI Transportation	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,100	9,500	400
Total Transportation	54,959	52,959	51,459	55,449	54,899	-550
Total Seasonal Transportation	4,598	2,598	1,098	2,098	1,098	-1,000
Total Seasonal Transportation %	8.37%	4.91%	2.13%	3.78%	2.00%	-1.78%
<u>Other Entitlements not included in Peak Day Deliverability</u>						
AECO Storage	947,820	947,820	947,820	947,820	947,820	0
AECO/Emerson Swap	947,823	947,823	940,428	955,255	758,254	-197,001

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MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - CONSOLIDATED

Change in Costs due to November, 1 2016 Change in Entitlement Levels and Related Demand Costs

	2015/16 Entitlements	2016/17 Entitlements	Entitlement Change	2016/17 Rate	Months	2015/16 Total Annual Cost	2016/17 Total Annual Cost	Total Annual Cost Change
Costs Assigned in Demand Charge								
<u>Viking Pipeline</u>								
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0012	12,493	12,493	0 \$	4.3706	12	\$655,223	\$655,223	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0209	1,098	1,098	0 \$	4.3706	3	\$14,397	\$14,397	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - 1AF0102	2,000	2,000	0 \$	4.5607	12	\$109,457	\$109,457	\$0
FT-A ZONE 1 - AF0229 (Nov-Mar)	1,000	0	-1,000 \$	4.7507	0	\$23,754	\$0	-\$23,754
<u>GLGTP Pipeline</u>								
FT Western Zone FT0016	10,130	10,130	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$467,884	\$467,884	\$0
FT Western Zone FT15782	9,000	9,000	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$415,692	\$415,692	\$0
FT Western Zone (12)FT17891 (12)	3,600	3,600	0 \$	3.8490	12	\$166,277	\$166,277	\$0
FT Western Zone (5)FT17891 (5)	3,728	3,728	0 \$	3.8490	5	\$71,745	\$71,745	\$0
FT Western Zone (5)FT18462 (Nov-Mar)	3,300	<u>3,350</u>	<u>50</u> \$	3.8490	5	\$63,509	<u>\$64,471</u>	<u>\$963</u>
<u>CENTRA Pipeline</u>								
CENTRA TRANSMISSION	9,100	<u>9,500</u>	<u>400</u> \$	<u>11.1338</u>	12	\$1,350,564	<u>\$1,269,253</u>	<u>-\$81,311</u>
CENTRA MINNESOTA PIPELINES	9,100	<u>9,500</u>	<u>400</u> \$	3.2990	12	\$355,009	<u>\$376,086</u>	<u>\$21,077</u>
Total Costs Assigned to Demand Charge						\$3,693,510	\$3,610,485	-\$83,025
Costs Assigned in Commodity Charge								
<u>Storage Service</u>								
Niska Storage (AECO)	947,820	947,820	0 \$	0.4676	1	\$590,018	\$443,205	-\$146,813
AECO/Emerson Swap	955,255	758,254	-197,001 \$	0.3800	1	\$993,465	\$288,137	-\$705,328
<u>Balancing</u>								
VGT Balancing Agreement	7,465	7,465	0 \$	1.0000	12	\$89,580	\$89,580	\$0
Union Balancing	4,453	10,000	5,547 \$	0.4500	12	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$0
Physical Forward Start Premium						\$ -	\$ 52,096	\$52,096
<u>Call Options Premium</u>						\$307,091	\$229,055	-\$78,036
Total Costs Assigned to Commodity Charge						\$2,034,154	\$1,156,073	-\$878,081

MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES - Consolidated

Daily Total Throughput Data - July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

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Design Day:							
Base	2,927						
Variable	457						

Date	28.53% Bemidji Adjusted	13.34% Cloquet Adjusted	35.13% Fargo Adjusted	23.00% Intl. Falls Adjusted	100.00% Weighted Adjusted	Actual Total Through- Put *	Estimated Firm Through- Put **
7/1/15	0	3	0	0	0	24,018	3,116
7/2/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,748	2,927
7/3/15	0	0	0	2	0	11,052	3,148
7/4/15	0	0	0	0	0	8,598	2,927
7/5/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,120	2,927
7/6/15	16	8	11	16	13	20,993	8,869
7/7/15	4	6	0	9	4	20,643	4,712
7/8/15	9	2	3	7	5	21,068	5,364
7/9/15	0	0	0	1	0	18,557	3,032
7/10/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,469	2,927
7/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,314	2,927
7/12/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,769	2,927
7/13/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,587	2,927
7/14/15	0	3	0	0	0	17,877	3,086
7/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,161	2,927
7/16/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,877	2,927
7/17/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,136	2,927
7/18/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,925	2,927
7/19/15	0	0	0	0	0	13,156	2,927
7/20/15	3	1	0	5	2	19,623	3,914
7/21/15	0	0	0	8	2	18,169	3,747
7/22/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,796	2,927
7/23/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,359	2,927
7/24/15	0	0	0	1	0	12,094	2,980
7/25/15	0	0	0	0	0	9,015	2,927
7/26/15	0	0	0	0	0	9,573	2,927
7/27/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,369	2,927
7/28/15	0	0	0	0	0	21,114	2,927
7/29/15	0	0	0	0	0	18,954	2,927
7/30/15	0	0	0	0	0	18,695	2,927
7/31/15	0	0	0	1	0	15,345	3,043
8/1/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,347	2,927
8/2/15	3	0	0	1	1	12,863	3,486
8/3/15	8	4	0	12	6	17,812	5,473
8/4/15	5	6	0	14	5	21,687	5,343
8/5/15	0	2	0	0	0	25,958	3,025
8/6/15	0	3	0	2	1	17,750	3,323
8/7/15	0	5	0	0	1	15,577	3,238
8/8/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,151	2,927
8/9/15	1	0	0	0	0	12,577	2,992
8/10/15	1	0	0	5	1	17,502	3,564
8/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	16,228	2,927
8/12/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,232	2,927
8/13/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,734	2,927
8/14/15	0	0	0	0	0	17,980	2,927
8/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,859	2,927
8/16/15	8	0	7	7	6	13,272	5,632
8/17/15	9	6	1	12	7	20,518	5,932
8/18/15	6	6	5	2	4	25,496	4,966
8/19/15	16	10	9	14	12	22,369	8,463
8/20/15	3	5	0	7	3	16,947	4,393
8/21/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,200	2,927
8/22/15	4	1	0	2	2	10,420	3,653
8/23/15	16	13	7	15	12	13,853	8,483
8/24/15	14	16	8	17	13	21,558	8,809
8/25/15	13	10	5	14	10	22,326	7,513
8/26/15	7	7	0	11	5	20,118	5,400
8/27/15	0	1	0	0	0	16,898	2,988
8/28/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,549	2,927
8/29/15	0	0	0	0	0	11,752	2,927
8/30/15	0	0	0	0	0	12,812	2,927
8/31/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,855	2,927
9/1/15	0	0	0	0	0	19,833	2,927
9/2/15	0	0	0	0	0	22,455	2,927
9/3/15	0	3	0	0	0	18,037	3,086

9/4/15	0	0	0	0	0	15,196	2,927
9/5/15	0	0	0	0	0	10,654	2,927
9/6/15	3	0	1	1	1	9,777	3,462
9/7/15	7	0	5	5	5	11,509	5,107
9/8/15	7	3	3	11	6	20,636	5,575
9/9/15	14	6	6	14	10	22,306	7,664
9/10/15	20	14	12	17	16	21,483	10,113
9/11/15	17	17	9	18	14	17,420	9,533
9/12/15	8	8	1	6	5	15,234	5,258
9/13/15	0	2	0	0	0	15,892	3,061
9/14/15	0	0	0	6	1	21,352	3,537
9/15/15	0	0	0	0	0	22,027	2,927
9/16/15	0	0	0	0	0	23,271	2,927
9/17/15	10	5	9	3	8	22,060	6,364
9/18/15	13	12	12	15	13	18,031	8,921
9/19/15	7	9	2	8	5	14,380	5,415
9/20/15	1	3	0	1	1	15,188	3,316
9/21/15	1	0	0	5	2	21,428	3,638
9/22/15	11	9	6	13	9	24,369	7,022
9/23/15	15	14	8	10	11	25,532	7,967
9/24/15	6	9	0	10	5	20,635	5,289
9/25/15	1	10	0	3	2	19,474	3,944
9/26/15	0	7	0	0	1	22,022	3,372
9/27/15	6	0	0	11	4	27,515	4,858
9/28/15	19	14	13	23	17	35,726	10,782
9/29/15	18	21	10	23	17	36,670	10,557
9/30/15	12	15	4	15	10	37,392	7,586
10/1/15	15	22	11	21	16	31,595	10,174
10/2/15	17	22	13	18	17	26,456	10,491
10/3/15	19	24	12	22	18	21,474	11,052
10/4/15	15	18	10	15	14	21,967	9,143
10/5/15	18	14	13	23	17	27,767	10,673
10/6/15	27	19	18	30	23	28,378	13,660
10/7/15	20	20	14	22	19	26,469	11,395
10/8/15	18	21	21	20	20	25,491	12,047
10/9/15	16	19	13	15	15	19,747	9,801
10/10/15	5	10	0	10	5	15,316	5,218
10/11/15	0	0	0	0	0	14,967	2,927
10/12/15	27	22	27	22	25	27,603	14,345
10/13/15	21	21	16	27	21	29,241	12,410
10/14/15	16	14	11	18	14	25,790	9,509
10/15/15	33	26	27	31	30	26,844	16,441
10/16/15	33	33	29	35	32	27,836	17,605
10/17/15	29	28	23	33	28	25,124	15,513
10/18/15	17	21	9	20	15	20,868	9,813
10/19/15	12	11	7	14	10	24,928	7,694
10/20/15	20	22	7	24	16	28,821	10,380
10/21/15	27	26	21	32	26	31,865	14,756
10/22/15	20	18	15	24	19	24,541	11,532
10/23/15	24	22	23	24	23	21,956	13,547
10/24/15	26	24	20	29	24	21,757	13,987
10/25/15	29	22	23	32	27	27,893	15,156
10/26/15	26	23	22	29	25	31,996	14,308
10/27/15	25	20	19	22	22	32,557	12,862
10/28/15	33	27	34	27	31	36,726	17,198
10/29/15	30	24	28	28	28	29,903	15,642
10/30/15	23	24	23	26	24	24,928	13,873
10/31/15	25	22	26	23	25	25,382	14,182
11/1/15	28	23	23	31	26	25,860	14,736
11/2/15	17	14	17	26	18	29,281	11,330
11/3/15	17	16	12	20	16	28,701	10,291
11/4/15	16	13	20	14	17	30,561	10,508
11/5/15	31	17	31	25	28	33,121	15,523
11/6/15	34	30	33	33	33	29,539	17,935
11/7/15	30	29	26	32	29	27,135	16,070
11/8/15	22	18	21	20	21	22,870	12,303
11/9/15	17	17	17	19	17	28,918	10,879
11/10/15	20	16	20	17	19	30,647	11,555
11/11/15	35	20	35	26	31	34,845	17,096
11/12/15	40	34	38	36	38	34,946	20,122
11/13/15	33	35	31	36	33	30,458	18,019
11/14/15	27	26	23	27	25	25,572	14,572
11/15/15	20	23	14	24	19	23,300	11,621
11/16/15	20	19	19	22	20	32,067	12,115
11/17/15	23	17	28	18	23	33,327	13,378
11/18/15	38	29	38	30	35	39,938	18,932
11/19/15	56	49	49	47	51	45,793	26,044

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11/20/15	51	49	49	50	50	42,377	25,787
11/21/15	51	51	47	55	51	41,135	26,054
11/22/15	44	46	39	46	43	38,166	22,618
11/23/15	42	34	31	39	37	41,556	19,644
11/24/15	37	35	31	39	35	39,709	18,916
11/25/15	43	32	45	41	42	38,784	22,035
11/26/15	59	53	57	58	57	40,112	29,125
11/27/15	55	49	52	56	53	41,271	27,167
11/28/15	47	44	43	48	45	37,805	23,566
11/29/15	44	39	34	43	40	35,584	20,989
11/30/15	38	37	34	39	37	41,911	19,789
12/1/15	37	33	45	38	40	40,889	21,096
12/2/15	44	36	51	39	44	44,693	23,077
12/3/15	40	41	43	40	41	43,654	21,790
12/4/15	33	36	40	32	36	32,147	19,245
12/5/15	35	29	38	31	34	31,549	18,524
12/6/15	30	36	40	31	34	33,304	18,599
12/7/15	36	34	36	33	35	44,014	18,893
12/8/15	34	32	36	36	35	45,555	18,750
12/9/15	27	30	29	34	30	40,936	16,456
12/10/15	34	31	30	36	32	39,889	17,741
12/11/15	36	31	34	40	35	37,827	19,065
12/12/15	34	31	37	36	35	34,622	18,884
12/13/15	38	35	37	37	37	34,280	19,776
12/14/15	45	41	39	46	43	45,334	22,403
12/15/15	44	41	41	47	43	46,439	22,610
12/16/15	47	42	49	48	47	47,515	24,499
12/17/15	57	52	56	57	56	52,101	28,345
12/18/15	68	65	64	65	65	52,664	32,832
12/19/15	58	56	55	56	56	45,194	28,529
12/20/15	45	42	49	46	46	40,062	24,045
12/21/15	46	44	49	48	47	47,033	24,476
12/22/15	41	38	41	40	40	41,878	21,369
12/23/15	52	43	51	45	49	43,072	25,127
12/24/15	56	49	50	62	54	40,150	27,657
12/25/15	49	43	50	49	49	37,470	25,124
12/26/15	65	51	69	64	64	48,139	32,163
12/27/15	66	61	66	67	66	54,165	32,877
12/28/15	58	50	58	61	57	60,068	29,200
12/29/15	53	53	51	59	54	62,360	27,431
12/30/15	52	49	58	55	54	53,457	27,696
12/31/15	54	52	50	53	52	47,342	26,782
1/1/16	50	49	51	51	50	43,486	25,942
1/2/16	48	46	47	50	48	41,754	24,848
1/3/16	53	44	50	44	49	46,539	25,232
1/4/16	54	48	54	44	51	50,155	26,152
1/5/16	44	42	44	43	43	53,519	22,714
1/6/16	43	40	41	42	42	52,584	21,918
1/7/16	43	36	47	40	43	45,032	22,543
1/8/16	68	51	69	60	64	53,050	32,167
1/9/16	87	78	82	84	83	64,468	40,948
1/10/16	79	79	79	79	79	67,114	38,978
1/11/16	78	79	76	77	77	70,351	38,324
1/12/16	74	75	71	78	74	67,963	36,812
1/13/16	57	61	51	75	59	62,713	30,087
1/14/16	63	53	64	63	62	61,184	31,372
1/15/16	79	71	76	75	76	60,257	37,652
1/16/16	92	87	87	86	88	67,515	43,198
1/17/16	87	85	78	84	83	68,333	40,758
1/18/16	80	79	70	77	75	70,741	37,411
1/19/16	70	67	61	72	67	64,367	33,607
1/20/16	54	55	48	58	53	54,997	27,125
1/21/16	56	53	62	55	57	54,469	29,185
1/22/16	56	53	66	54	59	47,404	29,711
1/23/16	48	51	47	47	48	41,966	24,725
1/24/16	40	41	48	43	43	39,543	22,753
1/25/16	47	44	47	46	46	46,099	24,035
1/26/16	49	49	49	49	49	48,960	25,309
1/27/16	43	44	41	48	43	47,587	22,766
1/28/16	53	56	46	62	53	46,368	27,159
1/29/16	41	46	35	43	40	37,671	21,238
1/30/16	41	38	40	37	39	34,741	20,873
1/31/16	45	37	40	52	44	37,969	22,813
2/1/16	41	42	38	47	41	47,312	21,889
2/2/16	55	51	53	57	54	52,446	27,677
2/3/16	56	60	51	59	56	52,389	28,336
2/4/16	55	57	50	58	54	50,401	27,524

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2/5/16	47	52	43	49	47	43,342	24,374
2/6/16	39	40	37	41	39	35,923	20,806
2/7/16	57	49	52	52	53	46,408	27,193
2/8/16	73	69	66	75	71	62,786	35,184
2/9/16	71	73	61	76	69	65,810	34,394
2/10/16	72	69	60	76	68	65,481	34,225
2/11/16	70	66	62	71	67	59,176	33,647
2/12/16	85	80	75	87	81	64,243	40,053
2/13/16	78	69	70	77	73	57,140	36,419
2/14/16	55	59	51	57	55	50,354	27,854
2/15/16	42	45	40	50	43	47,203	22,712
2/16/16	63	62	47	70	59	54,709	29,818
2/17/16	55	54	45	60	53	48,463	26,953
2/18/16	38	38	34	39	37	36,916	19,709
2/19/16	35	31	27	33	31	31,848	17,259
2/20/16	45	36	41	46	43	35,182	22,408
2/21/16	49	43	48	60	50	42,045	25,941
2/22/16	44	42	39	47	43	44,335	22,387
2/23/16	40	36	40	38	39	42,934	20,749
2/24/16	42	43	38	49	42	45,496	22,271
2/25/16	51	49	43	52	48	48,232	24,887
2/26/16	37	40	31	37	35	34,842	18,937
2/27/16	33	28	29	38	32	29,111	17,603
2/28/16	58	53	53	62	56	44,223	28,648
2/29/16	67	62	64	75	67	62,186	33,589
3/1/16	56	58	49	65	56	59,595	28,488
3/2/16	45	45	41	58	47	55,632	24,338
3/3/16	53	49	45	58	51	54,154	26,111
3/4/16	45	43	38	55	44	49,277	23,197
3/5/16	42	40	38	42	40	39,539	21,266
3/6/16	25	26	18	28	23	30,470	13,501
3/7/16	23	32	13	25	21	32,771	12,641
3/8/16	32	23	36	33	32	36,951	17,742
3/9/16	38	32	38	37	37	42,231	19,845
3/10/16	30	32	31	34	32	36,193	17,419
3/11/16	22	21	18	24	21	29,273	12,414
3/12/16	15	16	10	19	14	25,879	9,434
3/13/16	25	25	18	18	21	30,913	12,485
3/14/16	19	22	13	22	18	33,346	11,075
3/15/16	27	30	23	27	26	40,279	14,722
3/16/16	38	36	31	39	36	53,861	19,170
3/17/16	41	37	39	46	41	51,334	21,501
3/18/16	45	47	34	51	43	44,675	22,390
3/19/16	39	42	37	43	40	40,306	20,980
3/20/16	37	37	32	42	36	36,358	19,452
3/21/16	34	34	27	39	33	44,093	17,927
3/22/16	37	39	29	44	36	48,481	19,472
3/23/16	41	44	37	46	41	44,216	21,744
3/24/16	33	38	30	38	34	36,411	18,385
3/25/16	38	30	39	41	38	33,161	20,203
3/26/16	40	36	36	42	39	32,774	20,526
3/27/16	28	33	22	29	27	28,779	15,257
3/28/16	29	30	19	29	26	35,600	14,621
3/29/16	17	19	9	20	15	34,285	9,901
3/30/16	28	28	23	24	25	36,577	14,525
3/31/16	33	33	30	35	32	36,370	17,637
4/1/16	48	43	42	50	46	37,545	23,734
4/2/16	49	46	42	50	46	36,406	24,177
4/3/16	44	43	36	50	42	34,267	22,260
4/4/16	38	37	35	43	38	39,061	20,191
4/5/16	36	34	25	32	31	39,216	16,989
4/6/16	36	33	31	34	33	37,541	18,218
4/7/16	41	40	42	41	41	39,928	21,763
4/8/16	54	52	46	54	51	40,107	26,136
4/9/16	44	42	33	45	40	36,789	21,209
4/10/16	43	31	37	40	39	38,138	20,531
4/11/16	48	42	39	47	44	46,639	22,937
4/12/16	30	30	32	32	31	37,690	17,220
4/13/16	21	26	14	22	20	28,656	11,893
4/14/16	4	9	2	9	5	23,567	5,291
4/15/16	3	6	10	2	6	19,682	5,648
4/16/16	3	6	12	6	7	26,768	6,180
4/17/16	11	10	20	23	17	24,904	10,535
4/18/16	24	29	17	26	23	32,912	13,221
4/19/16	19	26	16	15	18	30,741	11,157
4/20/16	15	14	11	15	13	29,618	9,033
4/21/16	31	16	26	32	27	32,458	15,441

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4/22/16	19	27	15	23	20	24,385	11,991
4/23/16	18	23	11	22	17	27,224	10,813
4/24/16	29	34	17	28	25	29,141	14,347
4/25/16	32	35	26	32	30	37,681	16,766
4/26/16	23	28	23	25	24	31,943	14,051
4/27/16	21	27	18	23	21	31,097	12,634
4/28/16	24	29	18	24	23	27,997	13,340
4/29/16	20	23	13	24	19	21,495	11,559
4/30/16	25	28	19	24	23	24,683	13,538
5/1/16	20	25	11	22	18	23,932	11,170
5/2/16	10	12	7	13	10	24,331	7,392
5/3/16	17	13	14	19	16	29,684	10,139
5/4/16	14	18	5	17	12	29,219	8,440
5/5/16	0	2	0	0	0	21,624	3,031
5/6/16	6	0	2	3	3	15,952	4,290
5/7/16	17	16	10	20	15	19,386	9,783
5/8/16	7	14	0	12	7	20,236	5,984
5/9/16	6	17	1	6	6	24,468	5,613
5/10/16	19	23	7	7	12	26,599	8,635
5/11/16	17	18	11	17	15	26,121	9,876
5/12/16	26	16	18	24	21	28,794	12,713
5/13/16	37	32	33	34	34	31,322	18,517
5/14/16	32	33	22	33	29	29,421	16,180
5/15/16	20	16	13	28	19	24,650	11,490
5/16/16	20	21	17	25	20	28,801	12,142
5/17/16	18	16	7	19	14	26,858	9,385
5/18/16	12	14	1	12	8	26,561	6,658
5/19/16	6	8	0	6	4	22,905	4,834
5/20/16	10	9	1	8	6	20,917	5,688
5/21/16	0	3	0	5	1	16,417	3,599
5/22/16	0	0	0	0	0	16,318	2,927
5/23/16	0	0	0	2	0	23,451	3,095
5/24/16	0	2	0	3	1	26,736	3,361
5/25/16	6	18	6	5	7	25,747	6,245
5/26/16	4	7	0	4	3	20,876	4,285
5/27/16	4	11	0	1	3	16,738	4,276
5/28/16	8	8	1	8	5	13,225	5,438
5/29/16	10	3	0	10	6	11,724	5,441
5/30/16	0	3	0	3	1	12,796	3,438
5/31/16	5	22	3	14	9	24,713	6,911
6/1/16	14	11	12	9	12	27,238	8,231
6/2/16	6	9	0	12	6	23,215	5,617
6/3/16	6	15	1	3	5	20,396	5,078
6/4/16	6	12	1	12	6	16,754	5,810
6/5/16	2	3	0	4	2	17,784	3,713
6/6/16	15	11	8	20	13	27,613	8,802
6/7/16	13	14	4	19	11	25,619	8,105
6/8/16	3	5	0	9	4	22,271	4,597
6/9/16	0	9	0	0	1	17,843	3,457
6/10/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,182	2,927
6/11/16	0	0	0	5	1	15,299	3,442
6/12/16	6	12	0	10	6	17,003	5,506
6/13/16	1	11	0	7	3	25,266	4,424
6/14/16	6	14	0	4	4	25,926	4,948
6/15/16	5	12	0	5	4	23,699	4,806
6/16/16	0	3	0	0	0	21,096	3,086
6/17/16	2	0	0	3	1	15,428	3,409
6/18/16	0	0	0	0	0	14,659	2,927
6/19/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,290	2,927
6/20/16	2	2	0	7	3	22,557	4,087
6/21/16	3	1	0	8	3	23,752	4,108
6/22/16	7	6	0	10	5	23,417	5,216
6/23/16	1	0	0	1	0	22,185	3,110
6/24/16	0	0	0	0	0	17,184	2,927
6/25/16	0	0	0	0	0	15,209	2,927
6/26/16	2	0	0	5	2	16,259	3,635
6/27/16	13	11	5	13	10	21,328	7,366
6/28/16	3	3	0	3	2	20,754	3,728
6/29/16	0	0	0	0	0	20,324	2,927
6/30/16	13	7	8	15	11	19,252	7,976
Totals	9,210	8,872	8,094	9,616	8,866	11,421,377	5,123,223

* Volumes include interruptible and transportation volumes

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** Design Model numbers are used to calculate firm volumes only

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Customer Counts by PGAC Class - July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Tariff Rate Class	Rate Designation	Jul-15 Average Customers	Aug-15 Average Customers	Sep-15 Average Customers	Oct-15 Average Customers	Nov-15 Average Customers	Dec-15 Average Customers	Jan-16 Average Customers	Feb-16 Average Customers	Mar-16 Average Customers	Apr-16 Average Customers	May-16 Average Customers	Jun-16 Average Customers	Annual Average Customers
GS- Residential	MERC000002	30,716	29,012	29,240	32,608	25,483	29,895	31,482	31,337	30,131	30,343	30,246	30,317	30,068
GS-C&I <1,500 therms/yr (Small)	MERC000006	2,117	2,069	2,061	2,259	1,798	2,097	2,194	2,197	2,114	2,140	2,118	2,099	2,105
GS-C&I >1,500 therms/yr (Large)	MERC000010	3,225	3,225	3,189	3,559	2,728	3,228	3,383	3,414	3,239	3,251	3,248	3,215	3,242
Small Volume Interruptible (SVI)	MERC000017	75	75	75	75	74	73	73	68	65	16	155	51	73
Small Volume Interruptible w/Joint (SVJ)	MERC000021	5	5	5	5	5	3	5	4	3	2	7	0	4
Large Volume Interruptible (LVI)	MERC000024	8	6	8	8	7	7	7	5	7	3	13	5	7
Large Volume Interruptible w/Joint (LVJ)	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		36,146	34,392	34,578	38,514	30,095	35,303	37,144	37,025	35,559	35,755	35,787	35,687	35,499

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Projected Storage Cost - November 2016 through March 2017

Month/ Year	K#118657 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130698 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130699 NNG Storage	Total NNG Storage	Projected NNG WACOG	K#118657 NNG Storage Cost	K#130698 NNG Storage Cost	K#130699 NNG Storage Cost	Total NNG Storage Cost	AECO Storage GLGT/VGT Centra Emerson	AECO Storage GLGT/VGT Centra Emerson	NNG-ABL K#22335 NNG Projected WACOG	NNG-ABL K#22335 NNG Projected Cost		
Nov-16	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2,2348	\$ 1,017,396	\$ 152,523	\$ 108,945	\$ 1,278,863	85,304	\$ 1,4605	\$ 124,586	34,125	\$ 2,6571	\$ 90,674
Dec-16	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	231,768	\$ 1,4605	\$ 338,496	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848
Jan-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	231,768	\$ 1,4605	\$ 338,496	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848
Feb-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,556,532	\$ 383,262	\$ 273,758	\$ 3,213,552	209,339	\$ 1,4605	\$ 305,739	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848
Mar-17	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2,2348	\$ 1,017,396	\$ 152,523	\$ 108,945	\$ 1,278,863	96,374	\$ 1,4605	\$ 140,754	34,125	\$ 2,6571	\$ 90,674
Total	4,342,470	651,000	465,000	5,458,470	\$ 2,2348	\$ 9,704,387	\$ 1,454,830	\$ 1,039,164	\$ 12,198,381	854,552	\$ 1,4605	\$ 1,248,070	325,500	\$ 2,6571	\$ 864,894

Month/ Year	NNG Storage Volume	NNG Indexes Price	NNG Indexes Cost	Month/ Year	AECO Storage Volume	Total AECO Market WACOG	Total AECO Market Cost	Month/ Year	NNG-ABL Storage Volume	NNG-ABL Indexes Price	NNG-ABL Indexes Cost
Nov-16	572,259	\$ 2,8410	\$ 1,625,788	Nov-16	85,304	\$ 2,2935	\$ 195,644	Nov-16	34,125	\$ 2,8410	\$ 96,949
Dec-16	1,437,984	\$ 3,4365	\$ 4,941,632	Dec-16	231,768	\$ 2,3790	\$ 551,376	Dec-16	85,750	\$ 3,4365	\$ 294,680
Jan-17	1,437,984	\$ 3,8650	\$ 5,557,808	Jan-17	231,768	\$ 2,4475	\$ 567,252	Jan-17	85,750	\$ 3,8650	\$ 331,424
Feb-17	1,437,984	\$ 3,9095	\$ 5,621,798	Feb-17	209,339	\$ 2,4595	\$ 514,868	Feb-17	85,750	\$ 3,9095	\$ 335,240
Mar-17	572,259	\$ 3,4900	\$ 1,997,184	Mar-17	96,374	\$ 2,4200	\$ 233,225	Mar-17	34,125	\$ 3,4900	\$ 119,096
Total	5,458,470	\$ 3,6172	\$ 19,744,210	Total	854,552	\$ 2,4134	\$ 2,062,364	Total	325,500	\$ 3,6172	\$ 1,177,389
			\$ 7,545,829				\$ 814,294				\$ 312,495

Max NNG-MERC Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	5,458,470	5,869,321	09/30/16 Storage Balance - NNG-MERC	4,579,317	78.02%	4,258,766
Max AECO Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	854,552	947,817	09/30/16 Storage Balance - AECO	797,474	84.14%	719,003
Max NNG-ABL Storage (Storage plan withdrawals through Apr 17)	325,500	350,000	09/30/16 Storage Balance - NNG-ABL	275,072	78.59%	255,817

Month/ Year	K#118657 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130698 NNG Storage	LS Power K#130699 NNG Storage	Total NNG Storage	Projected K#118657 NNG WACOG	Projected K#130698 NNG WACOG	Projected K#130699 NNG WACOG	WACOG	Projected NNG Indexes Price	Projected NNG Index Cost	Additional Storage (Savings)/ Cost
Nov-16	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 1,278,863	\$ 2,8410	\$ 1,625,788	\$ (346,925)
Dec-16	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3,4365	\$ 4,941,632	\$ (1,728,080)
Jan-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3,8650	\$ 5,557,808	\$ (2,344,256)
Feb-17	1,143,984	171,500	122,500	1,437,984	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 3,213,552	\$ 3,9095	\$ 5,621,798	\$ (2,408,246)
Mar-17	455,259	68,250	48,750	572,259	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 2,2348	\$ 1,278,863	\$ 3,4900	\$ 1,997,184	\$ (718,321)
Total	4,342,470	651,000	465,000	5,458,470	\$ 2,8092	\$ 2,8092	\$ 2,8092	\$ 12,198,381	\$ 3,1285	\$ 19,744,210	\$ (7,545,829)

Month/ Year	AECO Storage Other WACOG	Total AECO Index Cost	Projected Emerson Index Price	Projected Emerson Index Cost	Additional Storage (Savings)/ Cost	Month/ Year	NNG-ABL K#22335 NNG Storage	K#22335 NNG Projected WACOG	K#22335 NNG Projected Cost	NNG-ABL Indexes Price	NNG-ABL Indexes Cost	Additional Storage (Savings)/ Cost	
Nov-16	85,304	\$ 1,4605	\$ 124,586	\$ 2,2935	\$ 195,644	\$ (71,058)	Nov-16	34,125	\$ 2,6571	\$ 90,674	\$ 2,8410	\$ 96,949	\$ (6,275)
Dec-16	231,768	\$ 1,4605	\$ 338,496	\$ 2,3790	\$ 551,376	\$ (212,879)	Dec-16	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3,4365	\$ 294,680	\$ (66,831)
Jan-17	231,768	\$ 1,4605	\$ 338,496	\$ 2,4475	\$ 567,252	\$ (228,755)	Jan-17	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3,8650	\$ 331,424	\$ (103,575)
Feb-17	209,339	\$ 1,4605	\$ 305,739	\$ 2,4595	\$ 514,868	\$ (209,130)	Feb-17	85,750	\$ 2,6571	\$ 227,848	\$ 3,9095	\$ 335,240	\$ (107,391)
Mar-17	96,374	\$ 1,4605	\$ 140,754	\$ 2,4200	\$ 233,225	\$ (92,471)	Mar-17	34,125	\$ 2,6571	\$ 90,674	\$ 3,4900	\$ 119,096	\$ (28,422)
Total	854,552	\$ 1,4605	\$ 1,248,070	\$ 2,4134	\$ 2,062,364	\$ (814,294)	Total	325,500	\$ 2,6571	\$ 864,894	\$ 3,6172	\$ 1,177,389	\$ (312,495)

Growth Percentiles Observed		Growth Percentiles Predicted	
0	0	0	0
10	10	10	10
20	20	20	20
30	30	30	30
40	40	40	40
50	50	50	50
60	60	60	60
70	70	70	70
80	80	80	80
90	90	90	90
100	100	100	100
Average Percentile		Average Percentile	
All Growth		All Growth	

	NNG	NNG AL	AECO
Sept 2016 WACOG	\$ 2.1612	\$ 2.6046	\$ 1.3975
Sept 2016 Volume	4,579,317	275,072	797,474
Injections			
Oct	539,208	69,671	96,334
Index	NNG Ventura	NNG Demarc	AECO
Oct	\$ 2.8595	\$ 2.8645	\$ 1.9820
Ending WACOG	\$ 2.23	\$ 2.66	\$ 1.46