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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Re: In the Matter of the Petitions of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation-Consolidated for Approval of a Change in Demand Entitlement, Docket No. G011/M-17-587

Reply Comments of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation

On February 28, 2018, the Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources ("Department") submitted comments in the above-referenced docket, recommending that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") approve Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's ("MERC" or the "Company") Petition as modified in the Company's January 8, 2018, Letter regarding ANR storage; approve MERC's proposed level of demand entitlement; and allow MERC to recover associated demand costs through the monthly Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") effective November 1, 2017.

MERC thanks the Department for its review and is in agreement with the Department's recommendations. Additionally, as noted in the Department's comments, MERC's November 1, 2017, filing provided cost comparison to the July 2017 PGA rather than the October 1, 2017, PGA. MERC reviewed the Department's cost comparison at Attachment 3 page 2 and confirms that comparison is correct.

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,

/s/ Amber S. Lee

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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

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kristin M. Stastny, hereby certify that on the 8th day of March, 2018, on behalf of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) I electronically filed a true and correct copy of the enclosed Reply Comments 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.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2018.

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