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April 26, 2021

Mr. Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

Re: **In the Matter of the Application of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, in Compliance with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission’s Order in CenterPoint Energy’s General Rate Filing Docket No. G-008/GR-19-524 – 2019 Rate Case**

REPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT’S RESPONSE COMMENTS

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas (“CenterPoint Energy” or the “Company”), respectfully submits its Reply Comments in response to the April 23, 2021, Response Comments filed by the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (“Department”) regarding the Company’s March 12, 2021 and April 19, 2021 -filings in the matter referenced above.

The Department - recommends that the Commission **approve** the Company’s compliance filing in the G008/GR-19-524 Rate Case Docket. Specifically, the- Department recommends that the Commission:

- 1) approve CenterPoint’s proposed Conservation Cost Recovery Charge of \$0.2372 per dekatherm (or \$0.02372 per therm);
- 2) require CenterPoint to resubmit the CIP tracker account (including rates, revenues, expenses, and ending balance) based on actual data for the entire period that interim rates were in effect, within 10 days after the actual date final rates become effective;
- 3) approve the proposed tariffs provided in CenterPoint’s March 12, 2021 -filing with the exception of Twentieth Revised Page 13 of Section V;
- 4) approve the revised tariff sheet, provided in CenterPoint’s -April 19, 2020 filing, for Twentieth Revised Page 13 of Section V, reflecting a Conservation Cost Recovery Charge of \$0.2372 per dekatherm;
- 5) approve CenterPoint’s proposed refund plan; and
- 6) require CPE to submit, within 10 days of the completion of the refund for all of its customers, a compliance filing that separately shows the actual refunds and interest paid by rate class including supporting calculations.

CenterPoint Energy thanks the Department for its thorough review and agrees with the Department's recommendation. If there are any questions, please contact me at the email address below or at 612-321-4480.

Sincerely,

/s/ _____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Marie Doyle served the Reply Comments in Compliance with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's Order in CenterPoint Energy's General Rate Filing in Docket No. G-008/GR-19-524 – 2019 Rate Case.

CenterPoint Energy to all persons at the addresses indicated on the attached list by having the document delivered by electronic filing.

/s/

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