

In the Matter of the Route Permit Application for the Minnesota Energy Connection Project in Sherburne, Stearns, Kandiyohi, Wright, Meeker, Chippewa, Yellow Medicine, Renville, Redwood and Lyon Counties in Minnesota. PUC Docket No. 22-131; 22-132

Commissioner Tuma Alternative 11. n (Irrigation)

Amend permit section 5.4.1 regarding grounding to require the Permittee to provide education materials on appropriate grounding of structures and operation of equipment near the powerline to all landowners with permanent metal structures and irrigation systems within 1000 feet of the alignment. Content of the educational materials shall be developed in the Agricultural Impact Mitigation Plan and must include contact information for a representative of the Permittee who will work with landowners to monitor and obtain appropriate grounding to ensure that the powerline operation stays within the induced steady-state short-circuit current requirements during operation. The material shall also note that this grounding and monitoring is at the Permittee's expense.