



**Minnesota Public Utilities
Commission
Decisions**

121 7th Place East
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Saint Paul, MN
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PUC Agenda Meeting

Thursday, February 22, 2018

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

DECISION ITEMS

1. ** **PL9/CN-14-916; Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership
PL9/PPL-15-137**
- In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border;
In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Route Permit for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border.
- Should the Commission reconsider its December 14, 2017 Order Finding Environmental Impact Statement Inadequate? (PUC: **Ek**)
- The Commission has the authority to accept or decline a petition for reconsideration with or without a hearing or oral argument. (Minnesota Rules 7829.3000, Subpart 6) In other words, a decision on a petition for reconsideration can be made without taking oral comments at the Commission meeting.

Recon denied.

The following items will not be heard before 10:00 am.

2. ** **E999/CI-03-802 All Commission-Regulated Electric Utilities**
- In the Matter of an Investigation into the Appropriateness of Electric Energy Cost Adjustments.
- Should the Commission reconsider, modify and/or clarify its December 19, 2017 Order Approving New Annual Fuel Clause Adjustment Requirements and Setting Filing Requirements? (PUC: **Alonso, Bender, Bonnett**)
- The Commission has the authority to accept or decline a petition for reconsideration with or without a hearing or oral argument. (Minnesota Rules 7829.3000, Subpart 6) In other words, a decision on a petition for

reconsideration can be made without taking oral comments at the Commission meeting.

Recon denied; Northwestern Wisconsin Electric's exemption granted.

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**** G011,002/C-17-802**

Minnesota Energy Resources

Corporation;

Northern States Power Company d/b/a

Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Formal Complaint and Petition for Relief by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) Against Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy (Xcel).

- Does the Commission have jurisdiction over MERC's complaint?
 - If yes, would a Commission investigation into MERC's allegations against Xcel-Gas be in the public interest?
 - If no, should the Commission dismiss and close this docket?
- If the Commission chooses to investigate the complaint, how should the Commission proceed? Should the Commission send this Complaint to the Office of Administrative Hearings as a contested case? Alternatively, should the Commission make its decision based on available information at this Agenda Meeting?
- Should the Commission stop Xcel from using its Natural Gas Competitive Agreement until the Commission resolves the legal questions raised by MERC in this docket or in the Commission's generic investigation into the use of incentives by natural gas utilities to compete with one another for customers, in Docket No. 17-499? (PUC: **Brill, Bonnett**)

Complaint dismissed. Xcel promotional tariff suspended prospectively. Promotional tariffs to be explored in generic docket.

ADJOURNMENT

*** One star indicates agenda item is unusual but is not disputed.**

**** Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)**

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