

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

Katie J. Sieben	Chair
Valerie Means	Commissioner
Matthew Schuerger	Commissioner
Joseph K. Sullivan	Commissioner
John Tuma	Commissioner

In the Matter of the Application of  
Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for  
a Routing Permit for the Line 3  
Replacement Project in Minnesota from  
the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin  
Border

MPUC Docket Nos. PL-9/PPL-15-137  
PL9/CN-14-916

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**MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE'S  
ANSWER TO MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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**INTRODUCTION**

On December 17, 2020, the Red Lake Band of Chippewa and the White Earth Band of Ojibwe, filed a motion for reconsideration of the Commission's December 9, 2020 Order denying the Bands' motion to stay the Commission's orders finding the Second Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS") adequate and approving the Certificate of Need and Route Permit for Enbridge Energy Limited Partnership's Line 3 Replacement Project until the Minnesota Court of Appeals issues a decision in the consolidated appeals of these orders.<sup>1</sup> The Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe supported the motion for a stay and supports the Red Lake and White Earth Bands' motion for reconsideration. The stay remains necessary to prevent the pending appeals from becoming moot by allowing construction of the Line 3 Replacement Project to be completed before the appeals are resolved. For all of the reasons stated in the Red Lake and White

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<sup>1</sup> The Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe appealed the Commission's orders deeming the Second Revised FEIS adequate and granting the Route Permit for the Line 3 Replacement Project. Minn. Court of Appeals No. A20-1077).

Earth Bands' motion, the Mille Lacs Band respectfully requests that the Commission reconsider its December 9, 2020 Order and enter the requested stay.

Dated: December 22, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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