

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Decisions

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PUC Agenda Meeting

Thursday, April 14, 2016 9:30 AM Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS

DECISION ITEM

1. ** E015/M-15-875 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Petition for Approval of Credit to Customers.

Should the Commission approve Minnesota Power's proposed credit refund to customers? (PUC: **Alonso, Krishnan**)

Refund allocation approved; reimbursement request denied; filings required.

DELIBERATION ITEM

2. ** E999/CI-03-802; All Commission-Regulated Electric

Utilities

E999/AA-12-757;

E999/AA-13-599;

E999/AA-14-579

In the Matter of an Investigation into the Appropriateness of Continuing to Permit Electric Energy Cost Adjustments; In the Matter of the Review of the 2011-2012 Annual Automatic Adjustment Reports for All Electric Utilities; In the Matter of the Review of the 2012-2013 Annual Automatic Adjustment Reports for All Electric Utilities; In the Matter of the Review of the 2013-2014 Annual Automatic

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- 1. Should the Commission accept the electric utilities' annual automatic adjustment (AAA) reports for fiscal-years 2012, 2013, and 2014?
- Should the Commission accept the Minnesota Department of Commerce's uncontested comments, conclusions and recommendations for fiscal-years 2012, 2013, and 2014?

- 3. Should the Commission defer taking action on Xcel's recovery of replacement powers costs during the unplanned, forced outage of Sherco Unit 3?
- 4. How should the Commission address requests for recovery of replacement power costs charged through the FCA during unplanned, forced outages?
 - a. Reporting Requirements
 - b. Sharing Lessons Learned
 - c. Contractor Accountability for Replacement Power Costs & Supplier Warranties
- 5. Should the Commission require investor-owned electric utilities (IOUs) to obtain Business Interruption Insurance (BII)?
- 6. Should the Commission disallow fifty percent (or \$37,085) of the difference between OTP's May 2013 Revenue Sufficiency Guaranty (RSG) charges and the average RSG monthly charges for this time period?
- 7. Were Minnesota Power's rail transportation costs for fiscal-year 2014 reasonable?
- 8. Should the electric IOUs' fuel clause adjustment mechanisms be reformed, and if so, how, and what are the next steps?
- Should the Commission close its investigation into the appropriateness of continuing to permit electric energy cost adjustments, Docket No. E-999/CI-03-802? (PUC: Harding, Bender, Alonso)

A notice will be issued separately that suggests oral argument times and procedures.

Accept AAA reports/uncontested recommendations. Defer action on Sherco 3 energy replacement costs. Accept OTP's explanation of RSG costs/payments, and disallow 50% of the increase. Defer action on MP's 2013-14 coal procurements; approve MP's other coal procurements. Solicit DoC proposal on energy cost recovery.

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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