



**Minnesota Public Utilities  
Commission  
Decisions  
PUC Agenda Meeting**

121 7th Place East  
Suite 350  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

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Thursday, March 23, 2017

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

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**INTRODUCTION**

**ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS**

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

**DECISION ITEMS**

1. [Details  
2017-47](#)      **E002/M-17-46      Northern States Power Company d/b/a  
Xcel Energy**  
In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy's  
Request for a Variance to the Billing Error Rules. (PUC: Rebholz;  
DOC: Kamara)  
  
**Attachments:** [DOC Comments 2-10-17](#)  
  
*Variance granted*
2. [Details  
2017-48](#)      \* **G004/D-16-466      Great Plains Natural Gas Co.**  
In the Matter of Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s Annual Depreciation  
Study. (PUC: Schwieger; DOC: Byrne)  
  
**Attachments:** [DOC Comments 12-28-16](#)  
  
*Depreciation parameters and rates approved*
3. [Details  
2017-49](#)      \* **E001/PA-07-540;      Interstate Power and Light Company  
E001/GR-10-276;  
E001/PA-14-322**  
In the Matter of Interstate Power and Light Company's Annual Refund  
Report of Alternative Transaction Adjustment Amounts. (PUC: Kaml;  
DOC: Johnson)  
  
**Attachments:** [DOC Letter 2-9-17](#)  
  
*Compliance filing required*
4. [Details  
2017-50](#)      ***PULLED***  
\* **G6915/M-16-756      Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC**  
In the Matter of a Petition by Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC for a Small

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Gas Utility Franchise Exemption.

Does Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC meet the statutory requirements for a small gas utility franchise exemption under Minn. Stat. § 216B.16, Subd. 12? (PUC: **Bonnett, Brill**)

*PULLED*

5. [Details](#)  
[2017-24](#)

**\*\* G011/M-15-895; Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation**  
**G011/M-16-315**

In the Matter of a Petition by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) for Project Evaluation and Approval of Rider Recovery for its Rochester Natural Gas Extension Project;  
In the Matter of a Petition by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) for Project Evaluation and Approval of Rider Recovery for its Rochester Natural Gas Extension Project (Highly Sensitive Trade Secret).

Should the Commission approve Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's (MERC's) request for advance approval of its Rochester Natural Gas Extension Project (NGEP)?

If so, should the Commission approve Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's (MERC's) request for a Natural Gas Extension Project (NGEP) Costs Rider for the Rochester Project?

Should the Commission also approve MERC's proposal for recovery of Rochester project costs through MERC's base rates and its purchased gas adjustment (PGA) mechanism? (PUC: **Brill, Bender, Schwieger**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

*Approved Rochester NGEP project and cost recovery with conditions*

6. [Details](#)  
[2015-334](#)

**\* G011/GP-15-858 Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation**

In the Matter of the Application of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for a Route Permit for the Rochester Natural Gas Pipeline Project in Olmsted County.

Should the Commission issue a pipeline route permit for the approximately 13-mile, up to 16-inch outside diameter natural gas pipeline and associated facilities along the west and south sides of the City of Rochester, Minnesota? (PUC: **Kaluzniak**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

*Issued route permit*

## 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)**

**Please note: For the complete record, please see eDockets**