

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Decisions

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PUC Agenda Meeting

Thursday, May 25, 2017 9:30 AM Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS

DELIBERATION ITEMS

DECISION ITEMS

1. <u>Details</u> 2014-214

PULLED

** PL9/CN-13-153

Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Alberta Clipper (Line 67) Phase 2 Upgrade Project

What action, if any, should the Commission take regarding the Neutral Footprint requirements from its November 7, 2014 Order Granting Certificate of Need? (PUC: **Kaluzniak**)

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2. <u>Details</u> 2017-95

PULLED

Palmer's Creek Wind Farm, LLC
In the Matter of the Application of Palmer's Creek Wind Farm, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the 44.6
MW Palmer's Creek Wind Project in Chippewa County

Should the Commission find the site permit application complete under Minnesota Rules, Chapter 7854.0500? What procedural process should the Commission authorize for evaluation of the site permit application? Should the Commission vary the time limits of its rules that relate to application completeness and draft permit issuance? (PUC: Kaluzniak)

Pulled

3. <u>Details</u> 2017-88

E257,002/SA-16-287

Kasson Public Utilities; City of Kasson;

Northern States Power Company d/b/a

Xcel Energy

In the Matter Of The Joint Request of the Kasson Public Utilities, City of Kasson (Kasson) and Northern States Power Company (d/b/a Xcel Energy) for approval to terminate a Service Exception Agreement. (PUC: Fournier; DOC: Lusti)

Attachments: DOC Comments 1-17-17

DOC Revised Comments 8-22-16

Approved service termination and compensation agreement.

4. <u>Details</u> 2017-93

* G6960/M-16-317 United Natural Gas, LLC

In the Matter of a Petition by United Natural Gas, LLC's (UNG), a subsidiary of United Farmers Cooperative (UPC) for Approval of a Firm Gas Transportation Agreement with the City of Brownton (Brownton).

Should the Commission approve United Natural Gas, LLC's petition for a Firm Gas Transportation Agreement providing intrastate pipeline transportation services to the City of Brownton (Brownton)? Should the Commission require United Natural Gas, LLC (UNG) to explain its arrangement with United Grain System, LLC (UGS) in a compliance filing?

- If UNG is providing transportation services to UGS, should the Commission require a transportation agreement between the parties?
- If UNG is purchasing natural gas for either the City of Brownton or UGS, does this arrangement compromise its "intrastate pipeline" status making UNG a "public utility" subject to Minnesota Statute § 216B.48 - Affiliated Interest? (PUC: Brill)

Attachments: Briefing Papers

Agreement approved and compliance filing required.

5. <u>Details</u> 2017-94

** E999/AA-15-611

Utilities

All Commission-Regulated Electric

In the Matter of the Review of the 2014-2015 Annual Automatic Adjustment Reports for All Electric Utilities.

- 1. Should the Commission accept the electric utilities' 2014-2015 annual automatic adjustment reports?
- 2. Should the Commission accept the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources uncontested comments, conclusions and recommendations?
- 3. Should the Commission require Xcel Electric to make refunds for excess purchased power costs incurred during forced outages at company-owned and operated nuclear generating plants where Xcel Electric did not comply with NRC requirements?

- 4. Should the Commission approve the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources recommendations concerning MISO Schedule 10 costs?
- Should the Commission approve the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources recommendations regarding independent auditors reports in future annual automatic adjustment reports? (PUC: Alonso, Bender, Bonnett)

Attachments: Briefing Papers

Reports accepted and further requirements set.

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