



Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Decisions

Thursday, September 13, 2018

10:30 AM

Parkers Prairie, MN

INTRODUCTION

DECISION ITEMS

1. **E229,147/SA-18-493** **Detroit Lakes Public Utilities;
Wild Rice Electric Cooperative**

In the Matter of the Joint Request of Detroit Lakes Public Utilities and Wild Rice Electric Cooperative for Approval of a Service Territory Transfer Agreement Between the Two Utilities. (PUC: Terwilliger; DOC: Lusti)

Approved.

2. **** E017/S-18-313** **Otter Tail Power Company**

In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) for Approval of 2018 Capital Structure and Permission to Issue Securities

1. Should the Commission approve OTP's 2018 capital structure and grant permission to issue securities?
2. Should the Commission require OTP to provide additional information in all future capital structure filings? (PUC: **Krishnan**)

Approved cap structure, securities issuance. Established future filing requirements.

3. **** E017/M-18-380** **Otter Tail Power Company**

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for Approval of Tariff Changes to Facilitate Implementation of a New Customer Information System

What action should the Commission take on Otter Tail Power Company's Petition to Change their Tariff for a New Customer Information System? (PUC: **Martone**)

Approved proposed tariff revisions as modified; required compliance filing, communications w/ customers.

4. *** PL6580/M-06-1063;** **Greater Minnesota Transmission, LLC;**
PL6580/M-13-91;
PL6580/M-13-94;
PL6580/M-14-386;
G022/M-14-342;

PL6580/M-14-578;
PL6580/M-14-1056;
PL6580/M-15-967;
PL6580/M-15-968;
PL6580/M-15-1041;
PL6580/M-16-936;
PL6580/M-16-1026

GMT's Annual Load Factor Utilization Report, by Pipeline Segment.

1. Should the Commission accept Greater Minnesota Transmission's January 12, 2018 annual load factor utilization report as compliant with Commission Orders?
2. Should the Commission require additional analysis on Greater Minnesota Gas' high utilization of Greater Minnesota Transmission overrun capacity service?
3. Should the Commission require Greater Minnesota Gas to demonstrate that it holds sufficient Northern Natural Gas and Greater Minnesota Transmission mainline and lateral capacity to serve its retail firm sales customers located on these pipeline segments? (PUC: **Brill, Bonnett, Bartusch**)

Accept 2017 annual utilization load factor compliance report. GMT to meet w/ staff, DoC, OAG before next report.

5. * **G6956/M-15-856;** **Community Co-ops of Lake Park;**
G6960/M-16-214; **United Natural Gas, LLC;**
G6977/M-17-186; **Lake Region Energy Services;**
G6915/M-13-672; **Dooley's Natural Gas I, LLC;**
G6915/M-16-756 **Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC**

In the Matter of Community Co-ops of Lake Park's Petition for an Exemption for a Small Gas Utility Franchise;

In the Matter of a Petition by United Natural Gas, LLC for approval of its Request for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption;

In the Matter of a Petition by Lake Region Energy Services, Inc. for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption;

In the Matter of the Petition of Dooley's Natural Gas LLC for Exemption for a Small Gas Utility;

In the Matter of a Petition by Dooley's Natural Gas II, LLC for a Small Gas Utility Franchise Exemption.

1. Should the Commission approve the annual compliance filings from LRES, Dooley's I and Dooley's II?
2. What information should the Commission require in future annual compliance filings from those companies who are exempt small gas utilities? (PUC: **Brill, Bonnett, Bartusch**)

Find small gas utilities (SGU) in compliance; approve compliance filings. In lieu of prior reporting requirements, require standardized

report each May 1.

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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