



Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Decisions

Thursday, August 8, 2019

9:30 AM

Large Hearing Room

INTRODUCTION

DECISION ITEMS

1. * **E002/M-19-270** **Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy**
In the Matter of Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy's Revised 2020
Tariff Rates for its Renewable*Connect Pilot. (PUC: Bahn; DOC: Peirce)

Attachments: [DOC Comments 5-30-19](#)

Approved.

2. * **E015/M-19-295;** **Minnesota Power**
E015/GR-16-664
In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Annual Compliance Report Regarding its Business
Development Incentive Rider;
In the Matter of the Application of Minnesota Power for Authority to Increase Rates for
Electric Service in Minnesota.

1. Should the Commission accept Minnesota Power's Compliance Filing?
2. Should the Commission require Minnesota Power to modify its Business
Development Incentive Rider tariff to make provision for multiple delivery points?
(PUC: O'Grady)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

**Accepted filing; required Company to clarify BDIR tariff language and
provide rationale for condition.**

3. ** **G008/M-19-342** **CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a**
CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas
In the Matter of the Petition of CenterPoint Energy for Approval of a Variance from the
Commission's Automatic Adjustment Rules Related to the Recovery of Demand Costs.

1. Should the Commission approve CenterPoint Energy's request for a continuation of
its variance from the Commission's Automatic Adjustment Rules, Minn. R.
7825.2700, subp. 5, related to the Recovery of Demand Costs?
2. Should the Commission approve a permanent variance from the Annual Automatic
Adjustment (AAA) Rules, specifically, Minnesota Rule 7825.2700, subp. 5?

3. Alternatively, should the Commission authorize the extension of this rule variance for three or five years? (PUC: **Ubani; Bender**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)

Approved request to extend variance for three years; continued other requirements.

4. **PULLED**

**** ~~G008/AI-18-517~~ ~~CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.,~~
~~d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas~~**

In the Matter of the Petition of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, for Approval of an Affiliated Interest Agreement between CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas and Minnesota Limited.

1. Should the Commission approve CenterPoint Energy's contract with Minnesota Limited as an Affiliated Interest Agreement?
2. How should the Commission address recovery of costs incurred under this contract that are beyond the scope of work covered by the initial agreement between CenterPoint Energy and Minnesota Limited? (PUC: **Hetherington, Alonso**)

5. **** E,G002/D-19-161 Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy**

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of its 2019 Annual Review of Remaining Lives.

Should the Commission approve Xcel's request for:

1. A one year passage of time adjustments for most of its electric and natural gas production and gas storage facilities;
2. Modification to the remaining lives for electric production plants: Sherburne County (Sherco) Units 1-3, Angus Anson Units 2-4, Black Dog Unit 5 (FERC 341 only), and Blue Lake Units 1 through 4 and 7-8;
3. Removal of the Wescott natural gas production plant from all schedules due to the sale of the facility as approved by the Commission on January 31, 2019 in Docket No. G-002/PA-18-294; and
4. Establishment of initial remaining lives and net salvage rates for Blazing Star I, Foxtail, and Lake Benton wind farms which were placed in-service during 2019. (PUC: **Schweiger, Hetherington**)

Attachments: [Briefing Papers](#)
[Amended Decision Alternatives](#)

Petition approved as modified.

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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