

# **Minnesota Public Utilities Commission**

# **Decisions**

Thursday, December 19, 2019

9:30 AM

**Large Hearing Room** 

### INTRODUCTION

## **DECISION ITEMS**

1. \* G004/M-19-366; Great Plains Natural Gas Co., a Division of MDU

Resources Group, Inc.;

G008/M-19-367; CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a

CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas;

G011/M-19-369; Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation;

G002/M-19-380 Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy In the Matter of Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s (Great Plains') Evaluation of its Gas Affordability Program;

In the Matter of CenterPoint Energy's (CPE) Evaluation of its Gas Affordability Program; In the Matter of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's (MERC's) Evaluation of its Gas Affordability Program;

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Evaluation of its Gas Affordability Program.

Should the Commission accept the 2019 evaluations of the Gas Affordability Programs (GAPs)? (PUC: **Ubani**, **Schwieger**)

Attachments: Briefing Papers

## Accepted the 2019 GAP evaluations and other action

2. \* G022/M-19-633 Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.

In the Matter of Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc.'s Conservation Improvement Program Conservation Cost Recovery Adjustment Tariff Change.

What Conservation Cost Recovery Adjustment (CCRA) should the Commission approve for 2019/2020? (PUC: **Fournier**)

Attachments: Briefing Papers

## Approved CCRA of \$0.000 per Dth

3. \* E017/M-19-411 Otter Tail Power Company

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for Approval of the Annual Update to its Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Rider Rate, Rate Schedule 13.04.

Should the Commission approve Otter Tail Power's annual update of its Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Rider rate under Otter Tail Power's Rate Schedule 13.04? (PUC: **Hetherington, Schwieger**)

**Attachments:** Briefing Papers

Approved revenue requirement, rate factors (to be effective January 1, 2020), proposed rate design, customer notification, and other action

4. \* P999/CI-19-539 All Local Service Providers

In the Matter of Telephone Assistance Plan Review.

Should the Commission accept the TAP Report - September 2019 Review? (PUC: Fournier)

**Attachments:** Briefing Papers

Accepted 6 month TAP reviews; required Exec. Secretary to monitor enrollment

5. \* E015/M-16-485 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of the Petition for Approval of Minnesota Power's New SolarSense Customer Solar Program. (PUC: Bahn; DOC: Peirce)

Attachments: DOC Comments 11-20-19

MP Extension Request 9-19-19

Approved request to extend

6. \*\* E015/M-18-250 Minnesota Power

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2018 Annual Service and Reporting Standards.

Should the Commission take any action following the third-party regulatory compliance assessment of Minnesota Power's disconnection, reporting, and payment agreements? (PUC: **Martone**)

**Attachments**: Briefing Papers

Accepted report, required additional filings.

7. \*\* E002/M-19-261; Xcel Energy;

E017/M-19-260; Minnesota Power; E015/M-19-254 Otter Tail Power

In the Matter of Xcel Energy's Annual Report on Safety, Reliability, and Service Quality for 2018; and Petition for Approval of Electric Reliability Standards for 2019; In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's 2018 Annual Safety, Reliability and Service

Quality Report and Proposed SAIFI, SAIDI, and CAIDI Reliability Standards for 2019; In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2019 Safety, Reliability and Service Quality Standards Report.

- 1. Should the Commission accept the utilities' annual Safety, Reliability, and Service Quality reports for 2018?
- 2. At what level should the Commission set Xcel Energy's, Otter Tail Power's, and Minnesota Power's reliability standards for 2019?
- 3. Should the Commission take any other action on the Annual Reports or associated matters? (PUC: **Terwilliger**)

Attachments: Briefing Papers, Vol. 1

Briefing Papers, Vol. 2

Accepted reports, modified future report contents, established reliability standards, required additional filings

8. \*\* E999/PR-19-9 Minnesota Power;

Otter Tail Power;

**Xcel Energy** 

In the Matter of Trade Secret Designation of 2019 Cogeneration and Small Power Production Reports

What, if any, of the trade secret designated information in Minnesota Power, Otter Tail Power, and Xcel Energy's Annual Cogeneration and Small Power Production reports should be filed as public? (PUC: **Rosier**)

Attachments: Briefing Papers

Accepted trade secret designations, established future trade secret designations.

The following item will not be heard before 11:00 AM

9. \*\* E002/WS-17-410 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy
In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company for a Site Permit
Amendment to the 84 MW Freeborn Wind Farm in Freeborn County, Minnesota.

Should the Commission grant the site permit amendments for the Freeborn Wind Farm Project as requested by Xcel Energy? (PUC: **Kaluzniak**)

**Attachments:** Briefing Papers

Motions for environmental review and contested case denied. Site permit amendments approved

### **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