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Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
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Via eDockets

Re: *In the Matter of the Application of the Decommissioning Trust Fund for the Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership Line 3 Replacement Pipeline*
MPUC Docket No. PL-9/CN-21-823

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Because Enbridge Energy's reply comments filed on June 20, 2022, do not offer anything materially different from Enbridge's initial comments, the Department of Commerce will not be filing any formal supplemental comments in response, but rather, refers the Commission to the comments that it has already filed.

We did wish to advise the Commission, however, that the Department is in the process of retaining an expert to assist it with respect to specific legal issues relating to the trust, including the language of the trust agreement, to help assure that the trust is established in a manner that will fulfill its intended purpose. We believe that having the benefit of this expertise will enable the Department to make a more valuable contribution to the Commission's consideration of this matter.

We look forward to addressing the Commission further when the matter comes before it at a yet-to-be scheduled Commission agenda meeting.

Sincerely,

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