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Mr. William Seuffert Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: In the Matter 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:

On March 13, 2023, the Minnesota Department of Commerce ("Department") filed reply comments regarding Enbridge's proposed decommissioning trust fund for the Line 3 Replacement Project. In its reply comments, the Department indicated that WSP, the independent contractor engaged to complete the cost estimate review was still conducting its review, and the Department did not provide a timeline for its completion.

Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership ("Enbridge") is filing this letter to urge the Department and/or WSP to file the report as soon as possible – and well before the April 12, 2023 supplemental comment deadline. WSP initially stated it would need four weeks to complete its review, it has now been three months since it was formally engaged to complete the work. Enbridge initiated coordination with the Department on this issue months earlier. It is important that all parties have sufficient time to review and respond to the report without additional delay to these proceedings.

Enbridge also wishes to clarify that, while the Department's reply comments state that WSP was "engaged by Enbridge," under the Memorandum of Understanding executed by Enbridge, the Department, and WSP, Enbridge is simply responsible for WSP's costs. WSP cannot discuss its estimates or its final product with Enbridge at any point before it is finalized and submitted directly to the Commission. Enbridge raises this only to clarify that WSP's work is in no way directed by, nor does Enbridge have any influence over, the timing or final work product of WSP.

Again, Enbridge urges the Department to provide the WSP report without additional delay.

A copy of this filing is also being served as designated on the Official Service List on file with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

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