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Dr. Burl W. Haar, Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350
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RE: Interstate Power and Light Company
2013 Annual Gas Service Quality Report
Docket No. G001/M-14-374
Reply Comments

Dear Dr. Haar:

Enclosed for e-Filing with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, please find Interstate Power and Light Company's Reply Comments in the above-referenced docket.

Copies of this filing have been served on the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources, the Minnesota Office of Attorney General - Residential and Small Business Utilities Division and the attached service list.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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**IN THE MATTER OF INTERSTATE
POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY'S
2013 ANNUAL GAS SERVICE
QUALITY REPORT**

DOCKET NO. G001/M-14-374

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF IOWA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF LINN)

Kathleen C. Balvanz, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states:

That on the 24th day of July, 2014, copies of the foregoing Affidavit of Service, together with Interstate Power and Light Company's Reply Comments, were served upon the parties on the attached service list, by e-filing, overnight delivery, electronic mail, facsimile and/or first-class mail, proper postage prepaid from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

/s/ Kathleen C. Balvanz
Kathleen C. Balvanz

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me
this 24th day of July, 2014.

/s/ Kathleen J. Faine
Kathleen J. Faine
Notary Public
My Commission Expires on February 20, 2015

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**INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY’S
REPLY COMMENTS**

COMES NOW, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL), and respectfully submits *Reply Comments* to the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) July 1, 2014, *Comments* submitted in the above-referenced docket.

I. INTRODUCTION

On May 1, 2014, IPL filed its 2013 Annual Gas Service Quality Report (2013 Report) with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

The Department filed Comments on July 1, 2014, recommending that the Commission accept IPL’s 2013 report. Additionally, the Department requested that IPL provide a discussion regarding the currently-anticipated timeline of the electric and gas asset purchase agreements, when IPL anticipates it would no longer serve Minnesota retail electric and gas customers, and for what time period IPL anticipates it would file its final gas service quality report.

In response to the Department's Comments, IPL provides the following Reply Comments:

II. REPLY COMMENTS

Proposed Sale of IPL Gas Assets

As the Department notes on Pages 9 and 10 of its Reply Comments, IPL has two pending dockets before the Commission regarding the sale of its distribution assets in Minnesota. IPL has requested Commission approval of the sale of its Minnesota gas distribution system and assets to Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC), and the sale of its electric distribution system and assets to Southern Minnesota Energy Cooperative.

On June 30, 2014, the Commission issued an Order in each docket requiring additional record development on issues to permit a prompt decision on whether contested-case procedures are necessary. IPL is fully engaged in these regulatory processes and is committed to taking the steps needed to provide a full and complete record for the Commission. At this time, IPL remains optimistic that the transactions will close by year-end 2014.

Assuming the gas transaction closes on December 31, 2014, IPL's Minnesota retail gas customers would become MERC customers effective January 1, 2015. Consequently, under this example, IPL would not propose to file a gas service quality report in 2015.

IPL would expect to discuss the needs of the Commission for filing the report if the sale date extends into 2015.

III. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, IPL respectfully requests the Commission give IPL's Reply Comments due consideration.

DATED this 24th day of July, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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