## BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Beverly Jones Heydinger Chair
David C. Boyd Commissioner
Nancy Lange Commissioner
Dan Lipschultz Commissioner
Betsy Wergin Commissioner

In the Matter of a Petition by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for Authority to

Increase Natural Gas Rates in Minnesota

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ORDER DENYING RECONSIDERATION

## PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On October 28, 2014, the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order in this case. On November 17, 2014, Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) filed a petition for reconsideration and clarification; on the same date, the Antitrust and Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) filed a petition for reconsideration.

On December 1, 2014, MERC and OAG filed answers urging denial of each other's petitions.

On December 18, 2014, the petitions came before the Commission.

## **FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

The Commission has reviewed the record and the arguments of the parties.

Based on this review, the Commission finds that the petitions do not raise new issues, do not point to new and relevant evidence, do not expose errors or ambiguities in the October 28 order, and do not otherwise persuade the Commission that it should rethink the decisions set forth in that order. The Commission concludes that those decisions are consistent with the facts, the law, and the public interest, and will therefore deny the petitions.

The Commission will so order.

## **ORDER**

- 1. The petition for reconsideration and the petition for reconsideration and clarification are denied.
- 2. This order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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**Executive Secretary** 

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