

February 9, 2017

Daniel P. Wolf
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 300
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

RE: Letter from the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) regarding Interstate Power and Light Company's Annual Refund Report of Alternative Transaction Adjustment Amounts in Docket Nos. E001/PA-07-540, E001/GR-10-276, and E001/PA-14-322.

Dear Mr. Wolf:

On January 10, 2017, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL or the Company) filed a letter in the above-referenced dockets.

IPL stated that pursuant to the Commission's *Order Setting Interim Rates*, Order Point No. 9, in Docket No. E001/GR-10-276, the Company has filed the following Annual Reports on its Alternative Transaction Adjustment (ATA) amounts:

January 31, 2012
February 13, 2013
January 30, 2014
February 27, 2015
February 29, 2016

IPL stated that, in accordance with its February 29, 2016 letter and the attachments included therein, "when the \$200,000 of ATA adjustment was added to the Transmission Sale Regulatory Liability Balance, the refund will be fully completed in November 2017." As a result, IPL stated that it was filing the instant letter in lieu of a 2017 Annual Refund Report and asked that the Commission close this docket.

The Department reviewed IPL's February 29, 2016 filing along with the current letter and agrees that the refund will be fully completed in November 2017.¹ However, the DOC concludes that it would be premature close this docket before the final payment is made. Instead, the Department recommends that the Commission require IPL to make a final compliance filing after the November 2017 payment has been made. The Department will

¹ See IPL's February 29, 2016 Letter, Attachment A, Pages 15-16.

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make its recommendation regarding the closing of Docket No. E001/GR-10-276 once it has reviewed IPL's final compliance filing.

The Department is available to answer any questions that the Commission may have.

Sincerely,

/s/ MARK JOHNSON
Financial Analyst

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