

February 27, 2017

Mr. Daniel Wolf
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

***RE: In the Matter of the Application of the Minnesota Pipeline Company, LLC for a
Pipeline Routing Permit for a Crude Oil Pipeline and Associated Above Ground Facilities
(PUC Docket No. PL-5PPL-05-2003)***

Request for Extension/Variance of Comment Periods

Dear Mr. Wolf:

Pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7829.1275, the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Energy Environmental Review and Analysis (EERA) staff requests an extension to file its comments in this matter. The current deadline for comments is February 27, 2017.

To complete its comments and recommendations on the completion certification request, EERA has requested additional information from the Permittee regarding their January 16, 2017 request. The Permittee anticipates filing this information on or before March 15, 2017. EERA will file its comments and recommendations after reviewing the information provided by the Permittee. Therefore, EERA is requesting an extension of deadline to March 20, 2017.

EERA has discussed this request with Minnesota Pipeline Company, LLC and they have indicated that it does not oppose the extension.

Thank you for considering this request. EERA staff is available to answer any questions the Commission might have.

Sincerely,

s/ ***Larry B. Hartman***
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