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October 24, 2017

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

RE: In the Matter of the Application of CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, a division of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., for Authority to Increase Natural Gas Rates in Minnesota: Docket No. G-008/M-18-574 – Decoupling Evaluation: Year 3

REPLY COMMENTS

Dear Mr. Wolf:

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas (CenterPoint Energy or Company) respectfully submits the following Reply Comments in response to the October 15, 2018 *Comments* filed by the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) regarding the Company's *Decoupling Evaluation*.

The Company notes that in the Department's comments on page 16, values in Table 8 reflect monthly, use and cost, not annual. CenterPoint Energy did provide annual values in its filing in section G, labeled Attachment D-1, page 16.

The Company appreciates Department Staff's review and analysis and supports Department Staff's recommendation that the **Commission accept CenterPoint Energy's third Decoupling Evaluation Report and approve the decoupling refund adjustments for the July 2017 through June 2018 program year that were implemented September 1, 2018.**

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (612) 321-5078 or Marie.Doyle@CenterPointEnergy.com.

Sincerely,

/s/
Marie M. Doyle
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