COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

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

RE: Request to Accept Corrections to the Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources Docket No. G011/M-19-282

Dear Mr. Wolf:

The Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) respectfully requests that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) accept corrections to its PUBLIC and TRADE SECRET comments filed on August 23, 2019. The corrections, referenced by Comments section and page numbers, are offered in redline below.

In Section III.B.2.a, page 17:

Therefore, the Department recommends that the Commission require MERC to reduce its estimated cost amount included in its 2020 GUIC for this project work by to \$1.25 million, [...]

In Section III.C.4, page 22:

MERC stated that some recent IRS Private Letter Rulings (PLRs) indicated that rider true-ups cannot reverse the effects of ADIT proration. As a result, MERC proposes not only to prorate its <u>original forecasted</u> ADIT balance for true-up purposes but also to reflect an additional proration of <u>adjustment to</u> ADIT to reflect account for the 13-month average of the difference between its forecasted non-prorated ADIT balance and its actual non-prorated ADIT balance.

In Section IV, page 27:

Require the estimated cost amount included in its 2020 test-year for the Stop Valve Survey project to be decreased by set to \$1.25 million.

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Sincerely,

/s/ DOROTHY MORRISSEY Financial Analyst

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Linda Chavez, hereby certify that I have this day served copies of the following document on the attached list of persons by electronic filing, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE – REQUEST TO ACCEPT CORRECTIONS TO COMMENTS

Docket Nos. **G011/M-19-282**

Dated this **30th** day of **August**, **2019**.

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