Modified Staff Options, 10/12/21

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's Petition for Interpretation of Terms and Conditions of Service to Verso Minnesota Wisconsin LLC

E-015/M-21-593

1. Dismiss MP's petition. (LPI)

OR

2. Dismiss the petition and refer the question of whether MP must credit Verso any revenues received for electricity sales to the former Verso facility against Verso's financial obligation under Section 3(N) of the ESA to MP's next rate case, expected to be filed about November 1, 2021. (LPI alternative if Commission finds it has jurisdiction).

OR

3. Find that the Commission has jurisdiction to interpret the tariffed Section 3(N) of the ESA. (MP, Department)

AND

4. Find that the tariffed Section 3(N) of the ESA requires Verso to continue <u>full minimum</u> <u>firm demand</u> payments for a period of two years from the January 29, 2021 notice of invoking Section 3(N) regardless of MP's electricity sales to a new customer at the former Verso facility. (MP, Department)

OR

5. Find that the tariffed Section 3(N) of the ESA requires MP to credit Verso any revenues MP receives for electricity sales to the former Verso facility against Verso's financial obligation under Section 3(N) of the ESA. (Verso; Dept. alternative if Commission disagrees that Verso must pay for 2 years)