The Commission met on **Thursday, September 22, 2016**, with Chair Heydinger and Commissioners Lange, Lipschultz, Schuerger, and Tuma present.

The following matters were taken up by the Commission:

ENERGY AGENDA

E-002,123/SA-16-608 In the Matter of the Joint Request of Northern States Power Company, d/b/a Xcel Energy, and Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative for Approval of a Compensation and Orderly Transfer Agreement

Commissioner Lipschultz moved to approve the requested service territory transfer and have MnGeo update the Commission's maps to reflect the service area designations as shown on the maps in the Agreement.

The motion passed, 5-0.

TELECOMMUNICATONS AGENDA

P-6825/RV-16-231 In the Matter of the Revocation of the Certificate of Authority of Public Wireless, Inc.

Commissioner Schuerger moved that the Commission revoke the certificate of authority of Public Wireless, Inc.

The motion passed, 5-0.

ENERGY AGENDA

G-002/GP-16-656 In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy for a Route Permit for the Black Dog Natural Gas Pipeline Project in Burnsville

Commissioner Tuma moved that the Commission accept Xcel Energy's application for a natural gas pipeline routing permit and partial exemption of pipeline route selection procedures for the proposed 11,300 foot, 16-inch outside diameter natural gas pipeline for the Black Dog (Unit 6) Generating Plant in Burnsville, and take the following actions:

- 1. Authorize EERA and PUC staff to initiate the review of the application pursuant to Minn. R. 7852.0600;
- 2. Require the notices issued pursuant to Minn. R. 7852.0600 be expanded to include properties adjacent to the proposed route; and

3. Require the notices to include information on how to access generic route permit conditions and solicit comments on whether those conditions are sufficient mitigation for any project impacts.

The motion passed, 5-0.

G-011/GR-15-736 IN the Matter of the Application by Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for Authority to Increase Rates for Natural Gas Service in Minnesota

Oral argument held.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION: October 5, 2016

Daniel P. Wolf

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