

STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Additional Information Regarding Annual Hearing MPUC Docket E999/M-10-222 OAH Docket 8-2500-21746-2

NOTICE was provided on December 6, 2010 of the scheduled annual public hearing on the Power Plant Siting and Transmission Line Routing Program. The annual hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 28, 2010</u>, in the Large Hearing Room at the Commission's offices on the third floor of the Metro Square Building, 121 7th Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

Administrative Law Judge Eric Lipman will preside at the annual hearing and prepare a summary report to the Commission. His address and contact information is: Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, 600 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, Phone 651-361-7842, Fax 651-361-7936.

In addition to soliciting comments generally, staff is seeking comments on the following questions:

- 1. In Chapter 216E, the Legislature directs the Commission to locate large electric power facilities so that any siting is orderly, efficient and compatible with environmental preservation. How well do the Commission's procedures and practices meet these mandates?
- 2. How well do the regulations found in Minnesota Rules Part 7850 meet the mandates of Chapter 216E? Which rules, if any, should the Commission consider revising?
- 3. How well do the regulations found in Minnesota Rules Part 1405 meet the mandates of Chapter 216E? Which rules, if any, should the Commission consider revising?

Comments are invited through presentation of oral or written statements. Written statements may also be submitted to Judge Lipman by the close of business on February 1, 2011.

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