

The Commission met on **Thursday, December 11, 2014**, with Chair Heydinger, and Commissioners Lange, Lipschultz, and Wergin present.

The following matters were taken up by the Commission:

TELECOMMUNICATIONS AGENDA

P6919/M-13-1137

In the Matter of the Petition of Tempo Telecom, LLC (Tempo) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in Minnesota

Commissioner Lipschultz moved to adopt the Department's recommendation to approve the petition subject to conditions, and as modified in staff's Briefing Papers to replace several instances of "should" with "shall."

The motion passed 4 – 0.

ENERGY AGENDA

E148,E228/SA-14-824

Joint Request of the Delano Water, Light, and Power Commission (the Municipal) and Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Electric Association (the Cooperative), collectively the Parties, to Modify Electric Service Territory Boundaries

This item was pulled from the agenda and not taken up by the Commission.

E244,E123/SA-14-906

Joint Request of the City of Granite Falls (the City) and Minnesota Valley Cooperative Light & Power Association (the Cooperative), collectively the Parties, to Modify Electric Service Territory Boundaries

Commissioner Wergin moved to adopt the Department's recommendation to approve the requested service territory transfer.

The motion passed 4 – 0.

E015/D-14-318

In the Matter of Minnesota Power's 2014 Remaining Life Depreciation Petition and Production Plant Depreciation Study

Commissioner Wergin moved that the Commission take the following actions:

1. Approve Minnesota Power's proposed remaining lives, with the exception of the proposed remaining life for the Laskin Energy Center, with an effective date of January 1, 2014.
2. Approve a remaining life for Laskin Energy Center of eleven years, to allow for one year's passage of time.
3. Approve Minnesota Power's salvage rates as proposed.
4. Require the Company, in future remaining-life depreciation filings, to provide a comparison of the remaining lives used in its depreciation filing to the Company's most recent integrated resource plan and explain any differences.
5. Require the Company, in future remaining-life depreciation filings, to provide an analysis comparing its depreciation expense using its current decommissioning probabilities to its depreciation expense using 100% decommissioning probabilities.
6. Require the Company, in future remaining-life depreciation filings, to provide a schedule of its supplemental depreciation expense recorded in the prior year as well as the supplemental expense to be recorded in the future.

The motion passed 4 – 0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION: February 4, 2015



Daniel P. Wolf, Executive Secretary