

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: April 7, 2016

In the Matter of Minnesota Power’s Petition for Approval of Revisions to Rider for Parallel Generation

In the Matter of Xcel Energy’s Petition for Tariff Modifications Implementing Rules on Cogeneration and Small Power Production

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power’s Request for Approval of Changes to Rate Schedules

PUC Docket Numbers: **E-015/M-16-204 (Minnesota Power)**
 E-002/M-16-222 (Xcel Energy)
 E-017/M-16-280 (Otter Tail Power)

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes May 20, 2016 at 4:30pm
 Reply comment period closes June 1, 2016 at 4:30pm

Parties may comment on any or all of the filings. If you choose to make combined comments on multiple filings, please e-file your comments in each docket.

Topics Open for Comment:

- Does Minnesota Power’s modified tariff appropriately incorporate all of the Rule changes made in Docket 13-729? Are any other changes made in the tariff reasonable?
- Does Xcel Energy’s modified tariff appropriately incorporate all of the Rule changes made in Docket 13-729? Are any other changes made in the tariff reasonable?
- Does Otter Tail Power’s modified tariff appropriately incorporate all of the Rule changes made in Docket 13-729? Are any other changes made in the tariff reasonable?
- Any other docket-related issues or concerns?

Project Background: In August, 2013, the Commission opened a rulemaking in [Docket 13-729](#) to incorporate 2013 statutory changes to Minn. Stat. [§ 216B.164](#) into the Commission’s Cogeneration and Small Power Production rules, Minnesota Rules, [Chapter 7835](#). The amendments to the rules became effective on September 28, 2015.

In early 2016, Minnesota Power (in [Docket 16-204](#)), Xcel Energy (in [Docket 16-222](#)), and Otter Tail Power (in [Docket 16-280](#)) each filed revised tariffs to incorporate the changes made in Docket 13-729.

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- *If you wish to include an exhibit, map or other attachment, please send your comments via U.S. Mail.*

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