

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: October 31, 2018

In the Matter of In the Matter of the Petition of CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, for Approval of an Affiliated Interest Agreement between CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas and Minnesota Limited

PUC Docket Number: G-008/AI-18-517

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes November 9, 2018 at 4:30pm
Reply comment period closes November 16, 2018 at 4:30pm

Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Commission.

Issue: Stipulation of CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas filed October 26, 2018.

Topics Open for Comment:

- Should the Commission approve the Stipulation?
- Are there other Commission actions and decisions needed related to the CenterPoint/Vectren transaction?
- Are there other issues or concerns related to this matter?

Background: On July 30, 2018, CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas (CPEM) filed a petition with the Commission asking for approval of an affiliated interest agreement with Minnesota Limited, which will become an affiliate of CenterPoint Energy upon the closing of CenterPoint Holdco acquisition of Vectren Corporation.

On August 15, 2018, the Commission issued a notice seeking comments on whether the Commission needs to approve CenterPoint's acquisition of Vectren under Minnesota Statutes § 216B.50 and on the affiliated interest agreement.

On October 26, 2018, CPEM filed a document entitled Stipulation of CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas, which agreed to a number of conditions related to the Vectren transaction. CPEM states that, if the Commission approves the Stipulation, the parties (Department of Commerce and the Office of the Attorney General Residential Utilities and Antitrust Division) agree the Commission can consider the affiliated interest petition on its

merits and take no further action on the transaction. The Department and OAG did not sign the Stipulation.

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