

NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: May 10, 2018

In the Matter of a Commission Investigation into the Effects on Electric and Natural Gas Utility Rates and Services of the 2017 Federal Tax Act

PUC Docket Number(s): E, G-999/CI-17-895

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes June 11, 2018 at 4:30pm

Reply comment period closes June 18, 2018 at 4:30pm

The Commission may determine that it will not consider comments received after the close of the comment period.

Topics Open for Comment:

- Does the updated financial information submitted by the utilities in their April 20, 2018 reply comments provide sufficient information for the Commission to make its decision on the impact of the 2017 Federal Tax Act?
- Which recommendations, if any, made by parties in their April 20, 2018 reply comments should the Commission adopt?

Background: On December 22, 2017, the President of the United States signed into law Pub L. 115-97 (H.R. 1—115th Congress: An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018), which will be referred to in this Notice as the 2017 Federal Tax Act, or the Act.

The 2017 Federal Tax Act contains a number of provisions that may affect public utility revenue requirements, rates, and services. Among many other provisions, the Act significantly lowers federal corporate tax rates and may affect the buildup and crediting of accumulated deferred income tax liability (ADIT).

On December 29, 2017, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued its Notice of Commission Investigation into the Effect of the 2017 Federal Tax Act on Utility Rates and Services.

On February 8, 2018, the Commission issued its Notice of Extended Comment Periods. As a result of that Notice, parties submitted initial filings on March 2, 2018, initial comments on March 30, 2018 and reply comments on April 20, 2018.

The additional comment period established by this notice is limited in scope. The Commission is only requesting comments related to the updated financial information and recommendations provided in the parties' April 20, 2018 reply comments.

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