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NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON APPLICATION COMPLETENESS

Issued: July 26, 2019

In the Matter of the Application of Regal Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Need for the up to 100 MW Regal Solar Project in Benton County, Minnesota

In the Matter of the Application of Regal Solar, LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 100 MW Regal Solar Project in Benton County, Minnesota

PUC Docket Numbers: IP7003/CN-19-223 and IP7003/GS-19-395

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes August 9, 2019, at 4:30 p.m.

Reply comment period closes August 16, 2019, at 4:30 p.m.

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

Topics for Comment:

- Does the certificate of need application contain the information required under Minn. R. 7849.0220, subp. 1?
- Does the site permit application contain the information required under Minn. R. 7850.3100?
- Should the certificate of need application be evaluated using the Commission's informal process or referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings for contested case proceedings?
- Should an advisory task force be appointed for the site permit application?
- Should the site permit application be processed jointly with the certificate of need application (i.e., public meetings, environmental review, and public hearings)?
- Are there any contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the applications?

Comments may be submitted:

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Project Description: On July 22, 2019, Regal Solar, LLC filed a certificate of need application and a site permit application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for its proposed 100 megawatt solar energy generating system. The proposed project would be located on approximately 800 acres in Langola Township in Benton County, Minnesota. The primary components of the facility would include photovoltaic panels affixed to a linear ground-mounted single-axis tracking system, solar inverters, an electrical collection system, fencing, access roads, two weather stations, a project substation and interconnection facilities, and an operation and maintenance facility. The project would interconnect at the existing Langola Substation via a new 1,500-foot 115 kilovolt overhead transmission line.

The applications are available for viewing on the Commission's eDocket system via the following links: Regal Solar Application for a Certificate of Need and Regal Solar Application for a Site Permit.

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