

## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: July 5, 2019

### In the Matter of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation's 2018 Annual Revenue Decoupling Pilot Program Evaluation Report

**PUC Docket Number(s):** G-011/M-19-201

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes August 9, 2019 at 4:30pm  
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**Issue:** Should the Commission accept MERC's fifth annual revenue decoupling report for the evaluation period ended December 31, 2018 and grant MERC's request to make revenue decoupling permanent?

#### **Topic(s) Open for Comment:**

- Should the Commission accept MERC's May 1, 2018 Annual Revenue Decoupling Evaluation Report?
- Should MERC's Revenue Decoupling Mechanism become a permanent part of the Company's rate design?
- Are there other issues or concerns related to this matter?

#### **Background**

On March 1, 2019, Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) submitted its 2018 revenue decoupling mechanism adjustment calculation.

On April 1, 2019, the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) submitted comments recommending approval of MERC's decoupling calculations.

On May 1, 2019, MERC submitted its annual report on its revenue decoupling pilot program. MERC's report covers the fifth year of its pilot program (from January 1 through December 31, 2018) and is entitled 2018 Annual Revenue Decoupling Evaluation Report (Report). MERC's three year extension of its pilot program expires on December 31, 2019. MERC has requested that its revenue decoupling mechanism become permanent upon the pilot program's end.

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