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**Notice of public hearing**

**2021 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN FILING**

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with 30-minute break at 11:30 a.m. Meeting is for viewing a selection of recorded video comments only and may end earlier.

Dial-In Phone Number: (866) 609-6127 | Conference ID: 885418853

Webex Event Number: 187 669 2852 | Webex Event Password: MnPUC!

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Dial-In Phone Number: (866) 609-6127 | Conference ID: 8861969

Webex Event Number: 187 760 6094 | Webex Event Password: MnPUC!

**Tuesday, May 18, 2021 | 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

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Dial-In Phone Number: (866) 609-6127 | Conference ID: 8861969

Webex Event Number: 187 787 1087 | Webex Event Password: MnPUC!

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Dial-In Phone Number: (866) 609-6127 | Conference ID: 5071969

Webex Event Number: 187 778 1087 | Webex Event Password: MnPUC!

**Video Comments:**

Public comments are encouraged as written submissions and in-person during virtual public meetings. However, if you prefer, you can record and submit a video comment using FlipGrid at https://flipgrid.com/click5003. It is free to use FlipGrid. Videos can be up to three minutes long and must include your name and the city and state where you live. All videos received by 4:30 p.m., Monday, May 10, will be reviewed by the administrative law judge.

A selection of videos representing the diversity of viewpoints presented in the videos received will be shown during the daytime meeting on Monday, May 17. All of the videos received will be available for viewing at https://flipgrid.com/click5003.

**Privacy:**

Comments will be made available to the public on the PUC’s website, except in limited circumstances consistent with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. The PUC does not edit or delete personally identifying information from submissions.

For more information on the resource planning process at https://mn.gov/puc/energy/resource-planning/

For questions about consumer issues, contact the PUC Consumer Affairs Office.

Phone: 651-296-0406 or 1-800-657-3782

Email: consumer.puc@state.mn.us

For questions about technical aspects of the IRP, contact PUC staff:

Sean Stalpes: sean.stalpes@state.mn.us or 651-201-2522

Robert Manning: robert.manning@state.mn.us or 651-201-2197

Tera Dornfeld: tera.dornfeld@state.mn.us or 651-201-2195

**IRP highlights**

Minnesota Power is the first utility in the state to deliver 50% renewable energy to customers and recently announced its vision for delivering 100% carbon-free energy by 2050.

As Minnesota Power continues to provide safe and reliable energy and advance a sustainable transition to a less carbon-intensive future, the company also will work with customers to conserve energy, promote distributed generation (such as personal solar panels) and electrification (such as EVs), and reduce demand for energy at times of the day when energy is most expensive and the greatest number of customers want to use energy (demand response).

**Minnesota Power wants to achieve**

70% renewable power supply by 2030

Reduce carbon emissions by 80% by 2035

Achieve coal-free energy supply by 2035

**How Minnesota Power plans to do it**

Add 200 MW of wind by 2025

Add 200 MW of solar by 2030

Boswell Energy Center

Economic dispatch of Unit 3 in 2021

Renewable 3 by 2030

Cease coal operation at Unit 4 by 2035

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**How to submit comments**

You may submit comments to the PUC if you are unable to attend a public meeting or prefer to comment in writing or in a video. Both written and video comments are due by 4:30 p.m. Aug. 2. Reply comments are due by 4:30 p.m. Oct. 4. Comment periods may be extended if requested by official parties. Check http://www.mnpower.com for updates. Your comment can discuss whatever you like but it would be helpful to have your insights on:

• Whether the PUC should approve, modify, or reject Minnesota Power’s IRP.

• Additional concerns or opinions related to the IRP.

Written Comments: Include your name, city, and state. Note that your comments are for input on the plan from the public.

1. Online: Visit www.mn.gov/puc and click on the comment icon for instructions. Then, click “Submit Comments” on the left tool bar to use the digital comment form. You can also print and mail a comment form to the PUC.

2. Email: Email your comments to consumer.puc@state.mn.us.

3. eDockets: Use the Commission’s eFiling system—go to www.mn.gov/puc and select “eDockets.”


For more information, visit www.mnpower.com or contact the company by mail, email, or telephone.

**IRP process**

The PUC oversees the resource planning process for utilities and will approve, reject or change Minnesota Power’s plan after hearing from stakeholders and the public. The PUC evaluates whether the IRP can (1) maintain or improve the adequacy and reliability of service, (2) keep costs within a reasonable range, (3) ensure the need for the resources proposed, (4) enhance the utility’s ability to respond to changes affecting its operations, and (5) limit the risk of adverse effects on customers and the utility that the utility cannot control.

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