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DOE Draft EIS for the Mesaba Energy Project (DOE/EIS-0382D)
Comments on the Draft EIS

To whom it may concern:

This project has been brought up now a few times and has been put down by the PUC at least once that I have known. A plant of this nature environmently will not help the area where it is planned to go in. What I am concerned about is two (2) impacts that will affect the area east of the plant.

One: The water contamination of the Canisteo mine pit, Holeman Lake, Swan River and the Mississippi River. Water will be released into the mine pit and Holeman Lake which is of course connected to the folowing water sources listed above. The mine pit water would ruin the trout fishery that is located there as well as be shut down for recreational use by the public. Two towns rely on the drinking water coming from here. Where will there drinking water come from? The Holeman Lake senerio would of course have the water ways destroyed leading into the Mississippi River and lets figure out how many towns along the river rely on that for their drinking water.

Two: Air quality no matter how you look at it will be placed at a high risk. Where I am located east of the proposed plant will be affected by the emissions of carbon dioxide, mercury, SO2 and NOx and co (carbon). There is enough mercury poisoning already taking place. All you have to do is take a sample of the water in the surrounding lakes and see the levels of merury from the acid rain. Take a trip to any large city and from the outside looking in see the smog, acid deposition and air pollution produced. We, to the east this plant will affected by these emissions coming from this plant every day.

Please re-look at your proposal and once again do not grant the contiuation of this project.

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