



**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Office of Energy Security**



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**NOTICE OF ADVISORY TASK FORCE MEETING**

PUC Docket Number: E017, E015, ET-6/TL-07-1237

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a meeting of the Advisory Task Force for the proposed Bemidji – Grand Rapids transmission line project will be held at the date and location listed below.

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**ADVISORY TASK FORCE MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 13, 2008**

**12:30 – 3:30 PM**

**Cass Lake City Council Chambers**

**330 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW**

**Cass Lake, MN**

Otter Tail Power Company, Minnesota Power, and Minnkota Power Cooperative are proposing to build a 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line from Bemidji to Grand Rapids, MN. These companies have identified an initial 68-mile corridor through which the line could be routed.

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has authorized the Department of Commerce, Office of Energy Security (OES) to establish an Advisory Task Force (ATF) to advise the PUC on the routes to be evaluated and the impacts and issues to be considered in the environmental impact statement. OES staff has solicited ATF nominations from local units of government located along the proposed and alternative routes identified in the application.

This is the second meeting of the ATF. The meeting is open to the public, but participation will be limited to task force members. The public is invited to participate in the public information and scoping meetings that will be held the week of August 11, 2008, in the towns of Blackduck, Cass Lake, Deer River, Bemidji, and Walker.

**PROJECT INFORMATION**

A description of the proposed project, public meeting notices, and permitting process documents can be viewed on the PUC website:

<http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/Docket.html?Id=19344>

If you have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact Project Manager, Suzanne Steinhauer (Tel: 651.296.2888 or [suzanne.steinhauer@state.mn.us](mailto:suzanne.steinhauer@state.mn.us)) or Public Advisor, Ray Kirsch (Tel: 651.296.7588, or [raymond.kirsch@state.mn.us](mailto:raymond.kirsch@state.mn.us)).