



**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON COMPLETENESS OF THE
ROCHESTER NATURAL GAS PIPELINE ROUTE PERMIT
APPLICATION**

Issued: November 13, 2015

In the Matter of the Application of Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation for a Route Permit for the Rochester Natural Gas Pipeline Project in Olmsted County

Public Utilities Commission (PUC) Docket Number: G-011/GP-15-858

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes November 30, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.
Reply comment period closes December 7, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

Topics Open for Comment:

- Does the route permit application contain the information required by Minnesota Rules 7852.2100 to 7852.3100?
- Are there contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the application?
- Should the Commission appoint an advisory task force?

Project Background: Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation (MERC) has proposed to construct 13.1 miles of new high pressure distribution pipeline and associated facilities in order to expand the capacity of MERC's natural gas distribution system in and around the city of Rochester.

MERC is requesting a route width of 500 feet. The proposed Project would require a permanent right-of-way of 50 feet and an additional temporary workspace of 50 feet.

Submit Public Comments: Visit mn.gov/puc, select *Speak Up!*, find this docket (15-858), and add your comments to the discussion.

If you wish to include an exhibit, map, or other attachment, please send your comments via U.S. Mail or eFiling.

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