



STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

October 27, 2005

Carole L. Schmidt
Environmental Scientist
Great River Energy,
17845 East Highway 10 P.O. Box 800
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Re: Application for a proposed project involving rerouting 0.75 miles of new 115 kV High Voltage Transmission Line (HVTL) as part of the Great River Energy Plymouth Maple Grove 115 kV HVTL project in Hennepin County, Minnesota

Dear Ms. Schmidt:

On September 20, 2005, Great River Energy (GRE) applied to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) for a Permit Amendment to reroute a 0.75 mile segment of 115 kV High Voltage Transmission Line (HVTL) for the convenience of a proposed development of a commercial center in Maple Grove in Hennepin County, Minnesota. The project is located entirely on a piece of contiguous property owned by the same landowner in the city of Maple Grove, Minnesota.

PUC mailed notice on September 26, 2005, to those persons on the GRE Plymouth Maple Grove project list and the Energy Facilities general notification list, and posted notice on the PUC website. Comments were due to the PUC by October 17, 2005. PUC did not receive any comments on the project.

The PUC, based on the information in the record of this matter and the consideration specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.57, subd 4 and Minnesota Rule 4400.3820 has determined the rerouting will not result in significant changes in the human or environmental impact of the project.

Therefore, the PUC authorizes the GRE Plymouth Maple Grove 115 kV project to reroute a 0.75 mile segment as received in their modification request as a Minor Alteration under Minnesota Rule 4400.3820.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Burl Haar".

Burl Haar, Executive Secretary

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