



## STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Date: May 31, 2013  
To: MISO Quarterly Update list  
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Subject: MISO Quarterly Update meeting

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission has scheduled the MISO Utilities 2013 Second Quarterly Update Meeting for Friday, June 21 2013 from 10:00 AM to Noon in the Commission's Large Hearing Room, Suite 350, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, St. Paul, MN. The Commission invites participation from Minnesota electric transmission utilities and other interested persons on the following topics:

### **Generator Maintenance Margin and Planned Outage Coordination**

- What will be the impact of MISO's controlled outage coordination on:
  - reliability
  - energy price stability
  - cost of operations
  - final rates
- How do you schedule your planned outage now? Do you coordinate your outage with other utilities?
- Do you expect any significant change in your planned outage scheduling in near future?
- If MISO proposes a tariff change to compensate any utility forced to change its planned outage, do you agree with it or not?

### **MISO's Low Voltage Transmission Line Reliability Study and Change in Functional Control of the Lines**

- Did you receive an engineering study from MISO on this issue? (April 30, 2013 Market Subcommittee presentation.)
- Who pays for the sub 100 KV lines cost now? Is it under MISO tariff or state tariff?
- If MISO takes over the control of some of the sub 100 KV lines, do you have to list the lines in MISO Attachment-O if it is not already in? If not, do you plan to list them?

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- What impact would functional control of low voltage transmission lines by MISO have on Minnesota utility regulation, such as certificate of need, route permitting, biennial transmission line planning, and rate cases?

**MISO's April 1st and May 6th Ramp Events with Scarcity Pricing and Ramp Management Product**

- How did the April 1<sup>st</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> ramp and scarcity pricing events affect you?
- Can hydro-power resources provide significant benefits for ramp management? (Manitoba Hydro – Wind Synergy study)
- Is Demand Response Resources Type II (DRR II) qualified to be a ramp management product?
- Do Minnesota Utilities have retail tariffs that allow DRR II?
- Do any of Minnesota utilities have DRR II as its resources?
- Do any of Minnesota utilities study the potential of DRR II in its own system?

We look forward to an opportunity to discuss these important issues. The meeting will begin at 10:00 AM and will be held in the Commission's Large Hearing Room on Friday, June 21, 2013.