



## STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Date: November 14, 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 Fourth Quarterly Update Meeting for Friday, December 6 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:

### **Winter Peak Readiness and Planning Year 2014 Prospect**

- Are Minnesota utilities ready to serve peak load reliably for winter 2013-2014?
- Perspectives on expected 2013-2014 winter's energy price compared to last winter.
- Based on new planning reserve margin set by MISO and new load forecast for planning year 2014, are Minnesota utilities ready to serve peak load for summer 2014?
- Are Minnesota utilities ready to serve loads during the spring and fall 2014 with own planned outage and other MISO utilities planned outage?
- Perspectives on expected 2014 spring's energy price compared to last winter.

### **Upcoming FERC/NERC Compliance Requirements affecting Transmission Planners (TO)**

- Beginning with 2014 (MTEP14), new MEP and MVP transmission line projects will be open for competition from Transmission Developers. MISO has proposed new BPM for the Transmission Developer Qualification and Selection process. Are Minnesota utilities required to complete the prequalification process (as proposed by MISO) or are they exempt due to their "incumbent" status? If required, what is the timeline for completing the prequalification application?
- Effective with January 1, 2015, FERC approved new NERC TPL-001-4 Standard – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements, which affect Transmission Planners (TOs). What are main differences that the new standard proposes versus existing standard and what steps are Minnesota utilities taking to plan for compliance with new TPL-001-4?

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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, December 6, 2013.

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