

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of a Joint LEPGP Site Permit, HVTL Route Permit and Pipeline (Partial Exemption) Route Permit Application for the Mesaba Energy Project, a 1,200-Megawatt, IGCC power plant proposed by Excelsior Energy in Itasca County

The above entitled matter has been considered by the Commission and the following disposition made:

**Referred the matter of a Joint LEPGP Site Permit, HVTL Route Permit and Pipeline (Partial Exemption) Route Permit Application for the Mesaba Energy Project to the Office of Administrative Hearing for a contested case proceeding.**

The Commission agrees with and adopts the recommendations of Commission staff which are attached and hereby incorporated in the Order.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Burl W. Haar  
Executive Secretary

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