

# NOTICE OF COMMISSION MEETING AND MEETING PROCEDURES

Issued: January 17, 2020

The items listed on the attached agenda will be heard at the following Commission meeting.

DATES: Friday, January 31, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. Public Comment Opportunity

Monday, February 3, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Oral Arguments/Deliberations
Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Oral Arguments/Deliberations

LOCATION: Minnesota Senate Building

95 University Avenue West, Room 1150

St. Paul, MN 55155

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management/buildings/mnsenate.jsp or Call 651-296-0406 or 1-800-657- 3782,

Option 3

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Occasionally items may need to be rescheduled. Commission staff will make all reasonable efforts to notify you if your item is rescheduled. However, if you wish to confirm this hearing date, please visit the Commission's Web calendar at: <a href="mailto:mn.gov/puc">mn.gov/puc</a> or call 651-296-0406 or 1-800-657-3782.

BAD WEATHER: Find out if a meeting is canceled. Call (toll-free) 1-855-731-6208 or 651-201-2213 or visit mn.gov/puc.

The hearing rooms have wheelchair access. If other reasonable accommodations are needed to enable you to fully participate in a Commission meeting such as sign language or large print materials, please call 651-296-0406 or 1-800-657-3782. Persons with a hearing or speech impairment may call using their preferred Telecommunications Relay Service or email: <a href="mailto:consumer.puc@state.mn.us">consumer.puc@state.mn.us</a> for assistance.



## Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

## **PUC Agenda Meeting**

Friday, January 31, 2020 Monday, February 3, 2020 Tuesday, February 4, 2020 8:30 AM

Minnesota Senate Office Building 95 University Ave. W., Room 1150 Saint Paul, MN 55155

## INTRODUCTION

## **DECISION ITEMS**

## 1. <u>Details 2015-134</u>

\*\* PL9/CN-14-916;

**Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership** 

PL9/PPL-15-137

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border.

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Route Permit for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border.

- Whether the second revised Final Environmental Impact Statement is adequate.
- 2. What action should the Commission take on the application for a certificate of need for the Line 3 Replacement Project?
- What action should the Commission take on the application for a pipeline routing permit for the Line 3 Replacement Project? (PUC: Ek)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Please note: For the complete record, please see eDockets

<sup>\*</sup> One star indicates agenda item is unusual but is not disputed.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)

#### January 31, February 3, and February 4, 2020 Hearing Procedures

#### General

The Commission will hold an agenda meeting regarding the Line 3 Replacement Project on January 31, February 3, and February 4, 2020. On January 31, the Commission will take comments from members of the public, as described below. On February 3, the Commission will take oral argument from official parties, ask questions, and deliberate, as described below. The hearing may continue to February 4, as necessary. Each day of hearings will be held at the Minnesota Senate Office Building.

#### Issues

- (1) Whether the second revised Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) is adequate.
- (2) What action should the Commission take on the application for a certificate of need for the Line 3 Replacement Project?
- (3) What action should the Commission take on the application for a pipeline routing permit for the Line 3 Replacement Project?

## **Attending the Meeting**

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission welcomes and encourages interested members of the public to attend the hearings. Because of the high level of interest in the proceedings, attendance in the meeting room or the overflow rooms in the Minnesota Senate Office Building will require a free ticket. Members of the public seated in the overflow room will be able to watch the proceeding live and, on January 31, will have the same opportunity to provide public comments as those in the main hearing room.

- Tickets will be distributed for free on a first-come-first-serve basis at the Minnesota Senate Office Building before the hearing.
- Tickets for the main hearing room and the overflow room will be different colors indicating which room the ticket is for.
- The Minnesota Senate Office Building will be opened to the public at 7:45 a.m., and ticket distribution will begin once the building is open to the public. The hearings will start at 8:30 a.m.
- Each person may receive only one ticket.
- Ticket holders will be allowed to exit and re-enter the hearing room using a ticket.
- Some seats will be reserved for official parties, elected officials, and media.

Official parties will receive a separate notice with instructions on obtaining tickets.

Members of the media may contact Commission staff to arrange attendance at the meeting.

#### **Meeting Protocol**

The Commission's Agenda Meeting Attendee Protocol, which is attached to this notice, will be in effect for this meeting. Individuals that do not follow the Agenda Meeting Attendee Protocol may be asked to leave.

There will be storage for coats in the Minnesota Senate Office Building, but other unattended items may not be stored in the building. The Commission is not responsible for personal items that are stored in the Minnesota Senate Office Building during the hearing. There is limited paid parking (street or ramp parking) near the Minnesota Senate Office Building. The venue is also located by multiple public transit options. Please plan accordingly.

### **January 31 Public Comment Process**

On January 31, the Commission will take comments from members of the public. The Commission will hold one session from 8:30 a.m. until the lunch break, and a second session beginning after the lunch break.

Persons interested in providing comments will need to fill out a Speaker Card that will be available at the venue. Commission staff will periodically collect the Speaker Cards during the hearing, and will select commenters at random.

The Commission will try to get through as many commenters as possible during the time allotted. Commenters may be asked to limit their speaking time to 2 or 3 minutes in order to maximize the number of commenters who are able to participate.

### **February 3 and 4 Oral Argument and Deliberation Process**

On February 3 and 4, the Commission will take oral argument from official parties, ask questions, and deliberate on the three issues listed above.

First, the Commission will take oral argument from official parties, ask questions, and deliberate on the adequacy of the Second Revised FEIS.

Second, if the Commission finds that the Second Revised FEIS is adequate, it will then take oral argument from official parties, ask questions, and deliberate on the certificate of need.

Third, if the Commission determines that the certificate of need should be issued, it will then take oral argument from official parties, ask questions, and deliberate on the pipeline routing permit.

Oral arguments will be structured as follows:

- Official parties will have 5 minutes each to address the Commission during each phase.
- Parties who share similar positions are encouraged to combine their remarks.
- The time allotments may be modified by the Commission at the agenda meeting.
- Oral argument by phone is not allowed.

#### **Written Comment Period**

The written comment period for the Line 3 Replacement Project has closed. The Commission will handle late-filed comments pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7829.0420, which provides that late-filed comments are accepted into the record unless the Commission takes action to exclude them.



## **Agenda Meeting Attendee Protocol**

- No food is allowed in the meeting room.
- No beverages without lids are allowed in the meeting room.
- No briefcases, backpacks, duffel bags, or other bags are allowed in the meeting room with the exception of staff or official parties. Purses may be subject to search.
- No masks are allowed in the meeting room.
- No weapons are allowed in the meeting room.
- No signs, banners, or other objects for display of any size are allowed in the meeting room.
- No musical instruments, noise makers, radios, recordings, or voice amplification tools may be brought into the meeting room.
- Each attendee must be seated in a chair and quiet during the hearing to avoid interfering with the ability of other attendees to see and hear the proceedings.
- Pictures without flash cameras may be taken, and video recording is allowed if it does not interfere with the ability of attendees to see and hear the proceedings.
- Pagers or cell phones in the meeting room must be turned to silent before entering the meeting room.