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## Great Northern Transmission Project - Information Request #7-15

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: E-015/CN-12-1163      Request Date: February 24, 2014  
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Requested From: Eric Swanson, attorney for MP; David Moeller, MP/Allete

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for RRANT

*If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.*

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
7.	<p>Minnesota Power states that it “will be asking its customers to be responsible for only one-third of the Project cost, corresponding to the portion of the line needed for the delivery of the 250 MW.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How is “customers” defined in the above sentence – native retail customers, residential, commercial, industrial, wholesale customers, or ?</li><li>• If the line is used at a higher capacity than 750 MW, will the Minnesota Power customers share be adjusted, and if so, how.</li></ul>
8.	<p>Minnesota power states that customers will also be responsible for only one-third of the maintenance costs associated with the project.” As above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How is “customers” defined in the above sentence – native retail customers, residential, commercial, industrial, wholesale customers, or ?</li><li>• If the line is used at a higher capacity than 750 MW, will the Minnesota Power customers share be adjusted, and if so, how.</li></ul>
9.	<p>As actual costs of the project are determined, will apportioned amount allocated to “customers” be adjusted? If so, how? If not, why?</p>

10. Minnesota Power is different from many Minnesota utilities in that its customer base is largely very large customers. If the PPA is for the benefit of one or more large customers, will the cost of the project be apportioned to the large customers based on their percentage of the PPA?
11. Who or what pays the other 2/3 of the Minnesota attributable costs for this project?
12. What are costs for the Canadian portion of the project? Provide chart similar to that on page 27 for the Canadian portion and also the complete project.
13. How are costs to be recovered for the Canadian portion of the project?
14. The Application claims Minnesota Power will have a majority ownership of the Project. Does this mean a majority ownership of the entire project or the Minnesota portion of the project?
15. Are Minnesota Power customers to be held responsible for one-third of the costs of the Minnesota Power owned 51% of the project? Provide chart similar to that on page 27 for the costs to be allocated to Manitoba Hydro and Minnesota Power.

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by:	_____	List sources of information:	_____
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