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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
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Members of the Public Utilities Commission:

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NUMBER: E002/M-99-888**

**PETITION FOR INTERVENTION, and COMMENT WITH ATTACHMENTS  
(PUBLIC VERSION), PURSUANT TO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
DOCKET NUMBER: E002/M-99-888**

**SUBMITTED BY PIMICIKAMAK CREE NATION**

**Pursuant to the Commission's Notice of Comment Period dated February 4, 2000 -  
Submitted March 1, 2000**

Please find enclosed:

1. Petition for Intervention of Pimicikamak Cree Nation (PCN) in the Proceedings of Docket No. E002/M-99-888;
2. Public version of the Comment with Attachments, from PCN, pursuant to the Commission's Notice of Comment Period dated February 4, 2000, which comment period was extended by seven (7) days by Order of the Commission.

Owing to their length, Attachments II and III to PCN's Comment have for the time being been provided only to the Commission and to parties receiving the nonpublic Comment. These Attachments, which are public documents, are:

ATTACHMENT II: Pacific Northwest Power Planning Council, Regional Power Supply Adequacy/Reliability Study: Phase I Report, December 8, 1999;

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ATTACHMENT III: ; G. Biggerstaff, N. Dodge, and R. Mittelstadt: An Assessment of Hydro-Québec's Security of Supply In Accordance of their Energy Reliability Criteria, (special report prepared for Régie de l'Energie of Québec) December 18, 1999.

Parties receiving the Public Comment should contact JoLynn Rains ([jolynn@research.com](mailto:jolynn@research.com) or 503-658-4181) if they wish to be provided with copies of these Attachments.

The enclosed Comment with Attachments (public version) has had all trade secret data excised. The Statement of Justification explaining how the data meets the definition of trade secret under Minnesota Statutes section 13.37 is as follows:

The data is government data (has been collected and/or received by the state agency the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 13.02 Subd. 7) that includes a pattern, method, technique or process for Northern States Power's and others' evaluation of the value of certain bid(s) and bidder(s) in this proceeding.

This data was supplied by NSP under a confidentiality agreement between advisors and consultants to Pimicikamak Cree Nation, and NSP, and is the subject of efforts by NSP to maintain its secrecy.

This data derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons, who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use (such persons including those representing utilities which do or may compete with NSP for market share).

We trust this is in order, and thank the Commission for its consideration.

Yours truly,  
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