October 9, 2012

To: Service List

From: Burl Haar
Executive Secretary


NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL SMART GRID WORKSHOP

In the Commission’s June 5, 2009 Order in Docket E999/CI-08-948, the Commission delegated the authority to the Executive Secretary to host appropriate periodic public meetings for utilities to report on their smart grid projects as part of a continuing dialogue for information gathering purposes. The Commission hereby notifies all interested parties that its second informational meeting will be held as follows:

DATE: November 2, 2012

TIME: 9:30 a.m. - noon

LOCATION: Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
Large Hearing Room
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

This third smart grid workshop will focus on electric vehicles. Specifically, the workshop will address the items listed on the attached agenda.

Interested persons with questions may contact Michelle Rebholz at 651-201-2206 or Sean Stalpes at 651-201-2252.

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9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m., Introductions

Chair Beverly Heydinger

Recap of the previous smart grid workshop and introductions

9:45 a.m, Presenters

Jukka Kukkonen, PlugInConnect: Overview of the Drive Electric Minnesota consortium and the Electric Vehicle (EV) landscape.

How has the Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) market developed? How are PEVs charged? How will EVs impact the economy?
Case Study: Typical EV user.

Ross Abbey, Fresh Energy: The Fresh Energy policy position and supporting research findings.

What could EVs’ potential be in the transportation sector, and how could public policy play a role in EVs realizing that potential? Fresh Energy believes that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission can and should play an important role in enabling widespread EV usage and in maximizing the societal benefit associated with the transition to EVs.


What EV activity is going on with Xcel Energy’s Minnesota customers? What utility-related policy issues have EVs raised and how is Xcel Energy addressing them?
Study: EV Distribution System Impacts.

Other utilities and stakeholders are welcome to ask questions and offer feedback during the presentations.

11:45 a.m. to noon

Q&A, public input, takeaways, and next steps.