



# STATE OF MINNESOTA

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LauraSue Schlatter  
Administrative Law Judge  
Office of Administrative Hearings  
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P.O. Box 64620  
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RE: In the Matter of the Further Investigation into Environmental and Socioeconomic  
Costs Under Minnesota Statute 216B.2422, Subdivision 3  
MPUC Docket No. E999/CI-14-643  
OAH Docket No. 80-2500-31888

Dear Judge Schlatter:

On behalf of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources,  
enclosed for filing in the above docket, please find the Corrections to the Surrebuttal  
Testimony of Dr. Kevin Gurney.

Sincerely,

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Page 3, Line 9	As explained in DOC Ex.____ at 24-25 (Gurney Rebuttal), 8 scientific assessment of any topic must rely <u>primarily</u> on peer-reviewed academic literature.
Page 3, Line 10	Arguments that rely <u>primarily</u> on non-peer-reviewed literature are considered unreliable and 10 potentially biased.
Page 6, Line 9	The workforce to 7 produce the assessments is entirely voluntary and comprised of scientists with 8 specific expertise in the many sub-topics covered in the assessment reports. <u>There is a central Secretariat, but they serve a primarily clerical role.</u>
Page 8, Line 1 (format, removing bullet)	• adjustments for those stations potentially influenced by urbanization, but these 1 are not cited by Dr. Spencer.
Page 12, Line 2	The relevant question (within which the CO <sub>2</sub> 1 fertilization effect resides) is whether or not climate change, <u>inclusive of CO2 levels</u> , has a positive or negative 2 impact on vegetation, particularly food crops, and whether or not this has been taken 3 into account in scientific assessments and modeling efforts.
Page 19, Line 1	Further, the peer-reviewed studies that he <del>relied on</del> <u>did cite</u> as purported support for his 1 characterization are both misquoted and misunderstood as I described above, in my 2 discussion of the argument patterns (under the heading, “Misunderstanding of 3 Science or Cited Literature”).

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Sharon Ferguson, hereby certify that I have this day, served copies of the following document on the attached list of persons by electronic filing, certified mail, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Minnesota Department of Commerce  
Corrections to Surrebuttal Testimony of Dr. Kevin Gurney**

**Docket No. E999/CI-14-643**

Dated this **21<sup>st</sup>** day of **September 2015**

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