

**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON
REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN CERTIFICATE OF NEED
APPLICATION CONTENT REQUIREMENTS**

Issued: August 19, 2025

**In the Matter of the Application for a Certificate of Need for the Iron Range – St. Louis County
– Arrowhead 345 kV Transmission Line Project.**

PUC Docket Number: E015/CN-25-111

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) is accepting comments on Minnesota Power and American Transmission Company LLC by and through its corporate manager ATC Management Inc. (ATC) (collectively, the Applicants) request for exemption from certain certificate of need application content requirements for the Iron Range – St. Louis County – Arrowhead 345-kV Transmission Project (ISA Project or Project).

The Project would involve construction of a new, approximately 62-mile-long, single-circuit 345-kV transmission line on double-circuit capable structures from Minnesota Power's Iron Range Substation in Itasca County, Minnesota to Minnesota Power's St. Louis County Substation in Solway Township, St. Louis County, Minnesota. The Project would also require construction of a new, approximately one-mile-long, double-circuit 345-kV transmission line from Minnesota Power's St. Louis County Substation to ATC's Arrowhead Substation in Hermantown, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes **August 27, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.**

Reply comment period closes **September 16, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.**

Supplemental comment period closes **September 23, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.**

Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission.

Topics for Comment

- Should the Commission grant the exemptions to the certificate of need application content requirements as requested by the Applicants' in their August 7, 2025 filing (Document ID: [20258-221879-01](#))?

Submit Comments

Online: mn.gov/puc/get-involved/public-comments
Email: consumer.puc@state.mn.us
U.S. Mail: Consumer Affairs Office
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

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Review Process. Information on the review processes for certificates of need and site and route permits for large electric power facilities is available on the Commission's website at: <https://puc.eip.mn.gov/>

Filing Requirements. Utilities, telecommunications carriers, official parties, and state agencies are required to file documents using the Commission's electronic filing system (eDockets) at <https://www.edockets.state.mn.us>. All parties, participants, and interested persons are also encouraged to use eDockets.

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Questions about these dockets or Commission process and procedure? Contact Commission staff, Saarah Maxon at saarah.maxon@state.mn.us or 651-201-2200.

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