



January 12, 2024

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Subject: Annual Submission of Public Rulemaking Docket and Official Rulemaking Record  
under Minn. Stat. § 14.116 (a)

Dear Senators and Representatives:

Minn. Stat. § 14.116 (a) requires each agency to submit to you by January 15 of each year its  
public rulemaking docket maintained under Minn. Stat. § 14.366, and the official rulemaking

record required under Minn. Stat. § 14.365 for any rule adopted during the preceding calendar year.

The Commission encloses a copy of its public rulemaking docket, which is also available on the agency's website at: <https://mn.gov/puc/activities/rulemaking/>

The Commission did not adopt any rules in 2023 and is therefore not enclosing any rule records.

Please let me know if I can provide further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Will Seuffert", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Will Seuffert  
Executive Secretary



# MINNESOTA

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



## Rulemaking Projects

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter [14.366](https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=14.366) (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=14.366>) (2012) requires each agency to maintain a current, public rulemaking docket. This section contains a list of pending rulemakings under consideration. The status of each rulemaking will be updated as we proceed through the rulemaking process. All documents, including any written requests for a public hearing, are available through the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's electronic filing system, eDockets.

### In the Matter of a Rulemaking to Amend Pipeline Definitions in Minnesota Rules, Chapter 7852, to Conform with Statutory Changes, Docket No. 23-364

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**Subject Matter:** In the Matter of a Rulemaking to Amend Pipeline Definitions in Minnesota Rules, Chapter 7852, to Conform with Statutory Changes, Docket No. 23-364

**Notices:** See eDockets for all filed notices.

**Status:** In 2023, the Legislature adopted amendments (Laws 2023, Chapter 60, Article 12, Section 60) to Minn. Stat. § 216G.02, which governs pipeline permitting. The amendments affect the definitions of “gas” and “hazardous liquid,” changes which the Commission now intends to codify in its rules, at Minn. R. 7852.0100, subd. 16 and 18. The Commission is following the good cause exemption rulemaking process under Minn. Stat. § 14.388 to amend its rules to conform with these statutory changes. The Commission is currently preparing the rule changes for adoption and will submit them to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review. Notice of submission to the Office of Administrative Hearings will be issued on Thursday, January 18, 2024. Persons interested in commenting on the rule amendments may submit their comments between January 18, 2024 and January 25, 2024 at: <https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions> (<https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fminnesotaoah.granicusideas.com%2Fdiscussions&data=05%7C02%7CChannah.m.olson%40state.mn.us%7C827fbb95ee6c4b962f3d600%20North%20Robert%20Street%2C%20St.%20Paul%2C%20Minnesota%2055164-0620>) 600 North Robert Street, P.O.Box 64620, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620. If the Commission adopts the rule changes, they will become permanent after publication in the *State Register*.

1. The subject matter of the proposed rule:
  - This rule amendment incorporates statutory changes to the definitions of “gas” and “hazardous liquid.”
2. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:
  - The notice will be provided on the Commission webpage and the Office of Administrative Hearings webpage.
3. Where written comments on the proposed rule may be inspected:
  - Written comments may be provided at <https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions> (<https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions>) or 600 North Robert Street, P.O.Box 64620, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620.
4. The time during which written comments may be made:
  - Written comments will be accepted by the Office of Administrative Hearings between January 18 and January 25, 2024.
5. The names of persons who have made written requests for a public hearing, where those requests may be inspected, and where and when the hearing will be held:
  - Interested parties may comment at the beginning of the notice period.
6. The current status of the proposed rule and any agency determinations with respect to the rule:
  - The Commission will submit notice of its proposal to adopt the rules to the Office of Administrative Hearings on January 18, 2024.
7. Any known timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:
  - The Commission will consider whether to adopt the rule changes at its agenda meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2024.
8. The date of the rule's adoption:
  - Should the Commission approve the rule amendments, this will occur following the February 15, 2024, meeting.
9. The date the rule was filed with the secretary of state:

- Should the Commission approve the rule amendments, this will occur following the February 15, 2024, meeting.

10. When the rule will become effective:

- Should the Commission approve the rule amendments, this will occur following the February 15, 2024, meeting.