UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

State of North Dakota,)	
Industrial Commission of North Dakota,)	
Lignite Energy Council, Basin Electric)	
Power Cooperative, The North)	
American Coal Corporation, Great)	
Northern Properties Limited)	Eighth Circuit File No. 14
Partnership, Missouri Basin Municipal)	
Power Agency d/b/a Missouri River)	
Energy Services, Minnkota Power)	
Cooperative, Inc.,)	

Plaintiffs - Appellees,

v.

Beverly Heydinger, Commissioner and Chair, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, David C. Boyd, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Nancy Lange, Commissioner and Vice Chair, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, J. Dennis O'Brien, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Betsy Wergin, Commissioner, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and Mike Rothman, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce, each in his or her official capacity,

Defendants - Appellants.

Appellants raise the following issues on appeal:

4-2156

APPELLANTS' STATEMENT OF ISSUES

- 1. Did the District Court err in finding Appellees presented a justiciable claim where the statute at issue has not been applied to Appellees and where Appellees failed to present evidence of an actual injury-in-fact?
- 2. Did the District Court err in refusing to abstain from exercising jurisdiction where a state administrative agency's construction of Minn. Stat. § 216H.03, subds 3(2) and (3) could avoid the need to consider Appellees' constitutional question?
- 3. Did the District Court improperly grant summary judgment to Appellees based on an erroneous interpretation of the scope of Minn. Stat. § 216H.03, subds. 3(2) and 3(3) and because these provisions only apply to utility services provided to Minnesota consumers?
- 4. Did the District Court err in enjoining the enforcement of Minn. Stat. § 216H.03, subds. 3(2) and 3(3)?
- 5. Did the District Court err in failing to grant summary judgment to Appellants?

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