

## Questions and Answers

### Line 3 Pipeline Replacement Project

September 12, 2017



Q: The final environmental impact statement (EIS) has been issued and public hearings are beginning. Are there two concurrent comment periods? One for the final EIS and one for the hearings? With comments being directed to two administrative law judges?

A: Yes.

- Comments on the [adequacy of the final EIS](#) are due by 4:30 p.m., Monday, October 2, 2017. Comments will be considered by administrative law judge Eric Lipman. Judge Lipman will prepare and submit a report to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission regarding the adequacy of the final EIS. The Commission will subsequently determine the adequacy of the document. For details on how to comment on the final EIS, see the Commission's [notice of comment period on the adequacy of the final EIS](#).
- Comments on the [certificate of need and route permit](#) applications for the Line 3 project are due by 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 22, 2017. Comments can also be made at public hearings that will be held in the project area from September 26 to October 26, 2017. Comments will be considered by administrative law judge Ann C. O'Reilly. Judge O'Reilly will prepare and submit a report to the Commission regarding the certificate of need and route permit applications. The Commission will subsequently determine whether to issue a certificate of need and route permit for the project. For details on how to comment on whether the Commission should issue a certificate need and route permit for the Line 3 project and why, see the Commission's [notice of public and evidentiary hearings for the proposed Line 3 project](#).