



GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA DATE: April 30, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider a motion to approve the procurement contract with Minnesota Power for the Tioga Substation Facility Study for \$31,950 and allow the General Manager to sign the contract.

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BACKGROUND:

The Tioga Substation was designed and built with the possibility to double in capacity. To allow for load growth and system redundancy, GRPU has requested Minnesota Power review the facility study of adding an interconnection load of 27.8 MW. This marks the second phase in the substation expansion process; the first phase—a system impact study—has already been completed.

This procurement is part of an approved capital project and Minnesota Power is the power provider for this site.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a motion to approve the procurement contract with Minnesota Power for the Tioga Substation Facility Study for \$31,950.