

A bill for an act  
relating to energy; amending definition of large energy facility; amending  
Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 216B.2421, subdivision 2.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 216B.2421, subdivision 2, is amended to  
read:

Subd. 2. **Large energy facility.** "Large energy facility" means:

(1) any electric power generating plant or combination of plants at a single site with  
a combined capacity of 50,000 kilowatts or more and transmission lines directly associated  
with the plant that are necessary to interconnect the plant to the transmission system;

(2) any high-voltage transmission line with a capacity of 200 kilovolts or more and  
greater than 1,500 feet in length;

(3) any high-voltage transmission line with a capacity of 100 kilovolts or more with  
more than ten miles of its length in Minnesota or that crosses a state line;

(4) any high-voltage transmission line with a capacity of 100 kilovolts or more,  
greater than 1,000 feet in length, and located in a zone, comprised of all points within  
one mile of any part of the transmission line, whose population density exceeds 8,000  
people per square mile;

(5) any pipeline greater than six inches in diameter and having more than 50 miles of  
its length in Minnesota used for the transportation of coal, crude petroleum or petroleum  
fuels or oil, or their derivatives;

~~(5)~~ (6) any pipeline for transporting natural or synthetic gas at pressures in excess of  
200 pounds per square inch with more than 50 miles of its length in Minnesota;

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2.1           ~~(6)~~ (7) any facility designed for or capable of storing on a single site more than  
2.2   100,000 gallons of liquefied natural gas or synthetic gas;  
2.3           ~~(7)~~ (8) any underground gas storage facility requiring a permit pursuant to section  
2.4   103I.681;  
2.5           ~~(8)~~ (9) any nuclear fuel processing or nuclear waste storage or disposal facility; and  
2.6           ~~(9)~~ (10) any facility intended to convert any material into any other combustible fuel  
2.7   and having the capacity to process in excess of 75 tons of the material per hour.

2.8           Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.9           Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.