

1405.0200 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Board.** "Board" means the Environmental Quality Board.

Subp. 2. **Intervenor.** "Intervenor" means any person granted permission to intervene in any proceeding pursuant to these rules.

Subp. 3. **Party.** "Party" means the applicant, persons proposing routes or sites which the board orders to be considered pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116C, and rules adopted thereunder, and persons granted permission to intervene pursuant to part 1405.0900. State agencies or participating department staff, citizen committees appointed by the board, shall intervene if they are to formally advocate one route or site in preference to another. Notice is given that, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 14.61, only parties who could be adversely affected by the report of the administrative law judge can be legally assured of the opportunity to present argument to the board prior to its decision.

Subp. 4. **Person.** "Person" means an individual, partnership, joint venture, private or public corporation, association or society, firm, public service company, cooperative, political subdivision, municipal corporation, governmental unit or agency, public utility district, or any other entity, public or private, however organized.

Subp. 5. **Proceeding.** As used herein, "proceeding" or "proceedings" means all events including prehearings, hearings, orders, and reports issued necessary to the completion of this hearing process on any application by a utility for the siting of a power plant, the routing of a transmission line, or exemptions.

Subp. 6. **Service; serve.** Unless otherwise provided by law, "service" or "serve" means service by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the person to be served at his or her last known address. An affidavit of service shall be made by the person making such service. Service by mail is complete upon the placing of the item to be served in the mail. Service may also be made personally.

Any paper relating to hearings conducted by an administrative law judge under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, may be filed with or served on the office by facsimile transmission. A transmission which is commenced by 4:30 p.m. shall be deemed to have been timely filed. The person filing the document shall forward the original signed document within five days. Filings or service shall be effective at the time that the facsimile transmission is received by the office. The filing or service of a facsimile shall have the same force and effect as the filing or service of the original document.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 14.51; 116C.66; 216E.16*

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