



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of City Coordinator

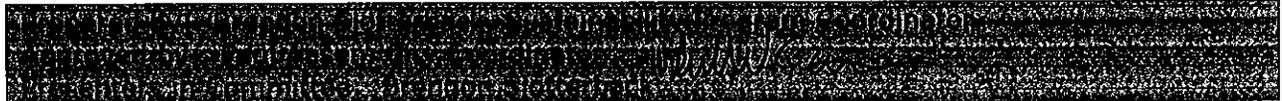
Date: August 1, 2013

To: The Honorable Elizabeth Glidden, Chair, Intergovernmental Relations

Subject: City participation in in Public Utilities Commission Customer Energy Usage Data (CEUD) Workgroup process

Recommendation: The City Council seek City involvement in the Customer Energy Usage Data (CEUD) Workgroup process being undertaken by the Public Utilities Commission, and direct Sustainability staff to submit a letter of intent to act as a participant

Department Information



Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Supporting Information

On July 19th, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) posted a notice asking for interested parties to submit letters of intent to participate in the planned Customer Energy Usage Data (CEUD) workgroup process. This process is part of an investigation by the PUC into the collection, storage and dissemination of customer data by rate-regulated energy utilities. The workgroup process will seek input from a variety of stakeholders on the topic.

PUC rulings on CEUD are important to the City of Minneapolis because they may impact the success of the City's Building Benchmarking and Disclosure ordinance (by restricting building owner's access to aggregated data), neighborhood energy and sustainability initiatives seeking to establish energy use baselines and metrics, and City measurement of energy, emissions and conservation information aggregated at the sub-city level.

Staff recommends that the City Council seek participation in the PUC process, direct Sustainability staff to submit a letter of interest to become a participant, a set required by the PUC to participate, and direct staff to participate in CEUD workgroup meetings. The CEUD workgroup process is expected to last between 6 and 18 months.