

Hibbing Public Utilities
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Subject: ELECTRICAL LOAD EMERGENCY CONTROL

A **load emergency** situation exists when:

- 1) The demand for power on all or part of the HPUC's system exceeds or threatens to exceed the generation available to supply such demands.
- 2) System instability or cascading outages could result from overloads of the transmission system in the Midwest area of the United States
- 3) Conditions in the system of another public utility or the M.A.P.P power pool with which the HPUC system is interconnected could cause a reduction in the capacity available to the HPUC from the source, or threaten the integrity of the HPUC's existing system.

During a load emergency, the HPUC will take reasonable steps to bring the demands within the available capacity. Such steps will include, but are not limited to, a reduction or interruption of electric service to one or more customers, in accordance with HPUC procedures for controlling load. The HPUC will not be held liable for any resulting damages that occur as a result of the capacity shortage and interruption of service.

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