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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 813

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to energy; clarifying definitions pertaining to energy facilities; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2014, sections 216H.01, by adding a subdivision; 216H.03,
1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 216H.01, is amended by adding a
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 1a. **Cogeneration facility or combined heat and power facility.**

1.9 "Cogeneration facility" or "combined heat and power facility" has the meaning given in
1.10 United States Code, title 16, section 796(18)(A).

1.11 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 216H.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.12 Subdivision 1. **Definition; new large energy facility.** For the purpose of this
1.13 section, "new large energy facility" means a large energy facility, as defined in section
1.14 216B.2421, subdivision 2, clause (1), that is not in operation as of January 1, 2007,
1.15 but does not include a facility that (1) uses natural gas as a primary fuel, (2) is a
1.16 cogeneration facility or combined heat and power facility, or is designed to provide
1.17 peaking, intermediate, emergency backup, or contingency services, (3) uses a simple cycle
1.18 or combined cycle turbine technology, and (4) is capable of achieving full load operations
1.19 within 45 minutes of startup for a simple cycle facility, or is capable of achieving
1.20 minimum load operations within 185 minutes of startup for a combined cycle facility.