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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS

EAW Comment Deadline: August 11, 2010

Project Title: Captains Bay Marina Expansion

Description: Captains Bay Marina proposes to add additional slips to their existing marina located on the east bank of the Mississippi River, upriver from the TH 61 Hastings Bridge. The project increases the total river footprint by 2,560 square feet and increases the number of boat slips from 14 to 18. All improvements would be limited to the navigable water.

Additional information regarding the project can be found on the City's website
www.ci.hastings.mn.us

RGU: City of Hastings

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Minnesota Environmental Quality Board
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St. Paul, MN 55155-1388
Phone: 651-201-2480
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<http://www.eqb.state.mn.us>

Project Title: Paul & Connie Magedanz Farm 1

Description: Paul & Connie Magedanz (Proposer) are proposing to expand their dairy operation in Section 9, Eden Lake Township, Stearns County, from 948 animal units (AUs) to 2,540 AUs. The proposed facility will consist of the construction of a freestall dairy barn above a concrete Weiser Pan-L Bilt manure pit, a compost dairy barn, a calf barn, and a composite (high-density polyethylene and clay) lined manure storage basin.

In addition to the Environmental Assessment Worksheet, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's draft National Pollution Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System (NPDES/SDS) Permit will also be available for public comment concurrently, beginning during the week of July 19, 2010. The contact person for the NPDES/SDS Permit is John Pokorney at 218-316-3893.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment Worksheet will be posted on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Web site, at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact Person:

Charles Peterson
Planner Principal
Environmental Review and Feedlot Section
Regional Division – 4th Floor
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
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Project Title: Bituminous Roadways Roseville Asphalt Plant

Description: Bituminous Roadways, Inc. (Bituminous Roadways or Proposer) is proposing to construct a new asphalt plant at the southeast corner of Terminal Drive and Walnut Street, within an existing industrial district in the city of Roseville, Minnesota. The new facility would include an asphalt plant, storage piles, a periodic crushing operation, liquid asphalt storage tanks, a laboratory and maintenance building, and a future rail spur.

In addition to the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW), the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's draft Air Emissions Permit will also be available for public comment beginning July 12. The contact person for the Air Emissions Permit is Tarik Hanafy at 651-757-24-4.

Comments will be accepted on the EAW and permits until August 11, 2010. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency will host a public meeting from 7:00-9:00 p.m. on the proposed project on Thursday, July 29, 2010, at the Roseville City Hall located at 2660 Civic Center Drive, City Council Chambers.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment Worksheet will be posted on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Web site, at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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EA/EAW AVAILABLE**Project Title: CSAH 10 Reconstruction Project**

Description: The proposed project includes widening CSAH 10 from a two-lane rural roadway to a four-lane divided urban roadway from CSAH 101 to 800 feet west of Vicksburg Lane/West Fish Lake Road, in the City of Maple Grove, Hennepin County. This includes the installation of five proposed traffic signals, exclusive turn lanes at key intersections, construction of a bicycle/pedestrian trail on both sides of the roadway, and access management improvements. Written comments on the Environmental Assessment/Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EA/EAW) should be submitted, prior to the close of the comment period on August 11, 2010, to the contact person listed below. An open house/public hearing will be held Tuesday, July 27, 2010. The open house (5:00 p.m.) and public hearing (6:00 p.m.) will be held in the Council Chambers of the Maple Grove Government Center located at 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway North in Maple Grove, Minnesota.

RGU: City of Maple Grove

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EAW NEED DECISIONS

The noted responsible governmental unit has made a decision regarding the need for an EAW in response to a citizen petition.

- Wright County Board of Commissioners, Dean Lake Preserve, EAW ordered.

EIS NEED DECISIONS

The responsible governmental unit has determined the following projects do not require preparations of an EIS. The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the EAW notice was published in the *EQB Monitor*.

- Carlton County Board, Wireless Communication Tower near Wright, Minnesota, June 28, 2010 (May 3, 2010)
- Mille Lacs County Board of Commissioners, Winjum's @ Izaty's, June 22, 2010 (May 3, 2010)
- Cascade Town Board, SMMPA 161 kV Transmission Line Extension, June 8, 2020 (May 17, 2010)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Asbury Asphalt Cement Bulk Storage Facility, June 22, 2010 (February 23, 2010)

Final EIS AVAILABLE

Project Title: Trunk Highway 23 and U.S. 71 Final Environmental Impact Statement

Description: The Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is available for State Project 3412-70, which involves improvements to Trunk Highway (TH) 23 and US Highway 71, is available for review. The proposed improvements are located in the 3.5-mile common section of Trunk Highway 23 and U.S. Highway 71 ("Highway 23/71"). The project corridor extends from the Highway 23/71 northern split in Dovre Township to the southern split of TH 23/71 and Business 71 in the City of Willmar.

Copies of the Highway 23/71 Final EIS are being distributed to those agencies on the current MEQB document review list and others. Copies of the Highway 23/71 Final EIS are available for public review at the following and on the project website at www.projects.dot.state.mn.us/sch/2371:

- Mn/DOT District 8 Offices, 2505 Transportation Road, Willmar, MN
- Willmar City Hall, 333 SW 6th Street, Willmar, MN
- Kandiyohi County Highway Department, 1801 E Litchfield, Willmar, MN
- Willmar Public Library, 410 5th Street SW, Willmar, MN

Comments on the adequacy of the Final EIS are being requested from individuals on the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board distribution list, as well as from other persons or agencies to whom the proposed project may be of interest. The 10-day comment period on the adequacy of the Final EIS will begin on **July 12, 2010** and will extend through **July 26, 2010**. All comments should be directed to the Project Manager listed below.

The Final EIS can be made available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities by calling the Project Manager at 320-214-3698 or to individuals who are hearing or speech impaired by calling the Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529 or 651-296-9930 TTY.

RGU: Minnesota Department of Transportation

Contact Person:

Lowell Flaten

Mn/DOT Project Manager

Minnesota Department of Transportation – District 8

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NOTICES

STATE OF MINNESOTA Office of Energy Security

Issued: June 30, 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT, AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SITE PERMIT

**In the Matter of the AWA Goodhue Wind, LLC, Applications for a Certificate of
Need and Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the
78 MW Goodhue Wind Project in Goodhue County**

**Certificate of Need Application, PUC Docket Number: IP-6701/CN-09-1186
Site Permit Application, PUC Docket Number: IP-6701/WS-08-1233**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on behalf of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on the applications of AWA Goodhue Wind, LLC (applicant), for a certificate of need and site permit for the proposed Goodhue Wind Project (project). The hearing will address: (1) whether the proposed project is needed and in the public interest, and (2) issues related to the proposed siting of the project. The hearing will be held at the times and location listed below. Ending times reflect the latest a public hearing will run. Hearings may conclude earlier where all attendees have had the opportunity to comment and all other business has been concluded.

HEARING DATE & LOCATION

July 21, 2010	3:00 PM – 5:30 p.m. & 7:00 PM – 10:30 p.m.	Goodhue Public High School Gym 510 3 rd Ave. Goodhue, Minn., 55027
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Administrative Law Judge. Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Eric Lipman from the Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings will preside at the hearing. Any person who would like to comment on the need for the project or the proposed siting can do so at the hearing or in writing to Judge Lipman: Eric Lipman, Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, St. Paul, MN 55164-0620; (fax) 651-361-7936; e-mail: eric.lipman@state.mn.us.

Written Comments. Written comments should be submitted to Judge Lipman at the address listed above. Comments will be accepted through **August 6, 2010**. Mailed comments must be postmarked by this date. Faxed and delivered comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on this date.

Purpose and Conduct of the Hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input about the project from members of the local community and general public. During the public hearing, members of the public may offer either oral or written testimony, offer exhibits for inclusion in the public hearing record, and ask questions of the applicant and agency representatives. Any person who wishes to ask questions, but does not want to ask the questions personally, may submit them in writing to the ALJ who will then ask the question during the hearing.

Interested persons may comment on the certificate of need and site permit applications, environmental report, draft site permit, or on the project generally. The hearing will continue until all persons have had the opportunity to offer testimony and ask questions. If needed, the hearing may be recessed and continued by the ALJ. At the close of the written comment period, Judge Lipman will prepare a written summary of the comments received at the hearing and file it with the Commission which will consider them in its deliberations of the certificate of need and site permit applications.

Request for Accommodation. Any person who needs an accommodation for a disability in order to participate in the hearing, and any person who requires an interpreter, including a foreign language interpreter, should promptly notify the Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, 600 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, Phone: (651) 361-7900 (voice) or (651) 361-7878 (TDD).

Environmental Report. The Office of Energy Security, Energy Facility Permitting, has completed and issued an environmental report for the proposed Goodhue Wind Project (see “Project Contacts and Information” below). The environmental report addresses potential human and environmental impacts of the proposed project and alternatives.

Draft Site Permit. On May 6, 2010, the Commission issued an order approving a draft site permit for distribution and public comment.

Project Description. AWA Goodhue Wind, LLC, proposes to construct a large wind energy conversion system (LWECS) of up to 78 MW using between 49 and 52 utility scale wind turbine generators, depending on

what turbines are ultimately selected. General Electric wind turbines of 1.5 MW or 1.6 MW nameplate capacities are under consideration. Each turbine will have a hub height of 80 meters (262 feet) and a rotor diameter of 82.5 meters (271 feet). In addition to the wind turbines, the project would include gravel access roads, two permanent meteorological towers, an electrical collection system, an operations and maintenance building, two proposed project substations, and two 69 kV transmission lines.

The proposed Goodhue Wind Project will be located in central Goodhue County, on agricultural land in Belle Creek, Goodhue, Minneola, Vasa and Zumbrota townships and just west of the city of Goodhue and north of the city of Zumbrota, as shown on the accompanying map. The applicant has indicated that it has approximately 12,000 acres under easement agreement within the proposed 32,684 acre project boundary.

Eminent Domain. The applicant does not have the power of eminent domain to acquire the land or wind rights for the project. Wind and land rights necessary to build the facility must be in the form of voluntary easements or lease agreements between individual landowners and the applicant.

Authority and Statement of Issues to Be Decided. In order to proceed with this project, the applicant must obtain a certificate of need and a site permit from the Commission. The Commission is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.243, to issue a certificate of need for a large energy facility if the applicant can demonstrate that there is a need for the project. A certificate of need is a state permit that is issued upon a determination that construction of an energy facility is in the public interest. The Commission is required by Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.243 to hold a hearing on an application for a certificate of need.

The Commission is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 216E.02 and 216F.04 to designate sites and issue site permits for certain energy facilities. When the Commission designates a site, it issues a site permit for the construction of a facility specifying the design, location, preparation, and operation of the facility, along with any other appropriate conditions it deems necessary. The Commission is required by Minnesota Statutes, section 216F.05 and Minnesota Rules, part 7854.0900 to hold a public meeting on an application for a site permit for an LWECS.

Contested Case Hearing Request. Any person may request a more formal contested case hearing on the site permit proceeding for the LWECS pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7854.0900. All contested case hearing requests must be filed with Judge Lipman in writing by 4:30 p.m. on **August 6, 2010**. The person requesting the contested case hearing must list the issues sought to be addressed in the hearing and the reason why a contested case hearing is required to resolve those issues. The Commission shall order a contested case hearing if it finds that a material issue of fact has been raised and that the holding of the contested case hearing will aid it in making a final decision on whether to authorize construction of the project.

The Commission heard a request for a contested case in these dockets on April 15, 2010. In its May 6, 2010 order, the Commission denied the request for a contested case and ordered the scope of this public hearing be expanded to include comments on both the certificate of need and draft site permit.

Project Contacts and Information. For more information on the **Certificate of Need**, please contact:

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For additional information regarding the **Site Permit** application, or to place your name on the project mailing list maintained for this project, please contact:

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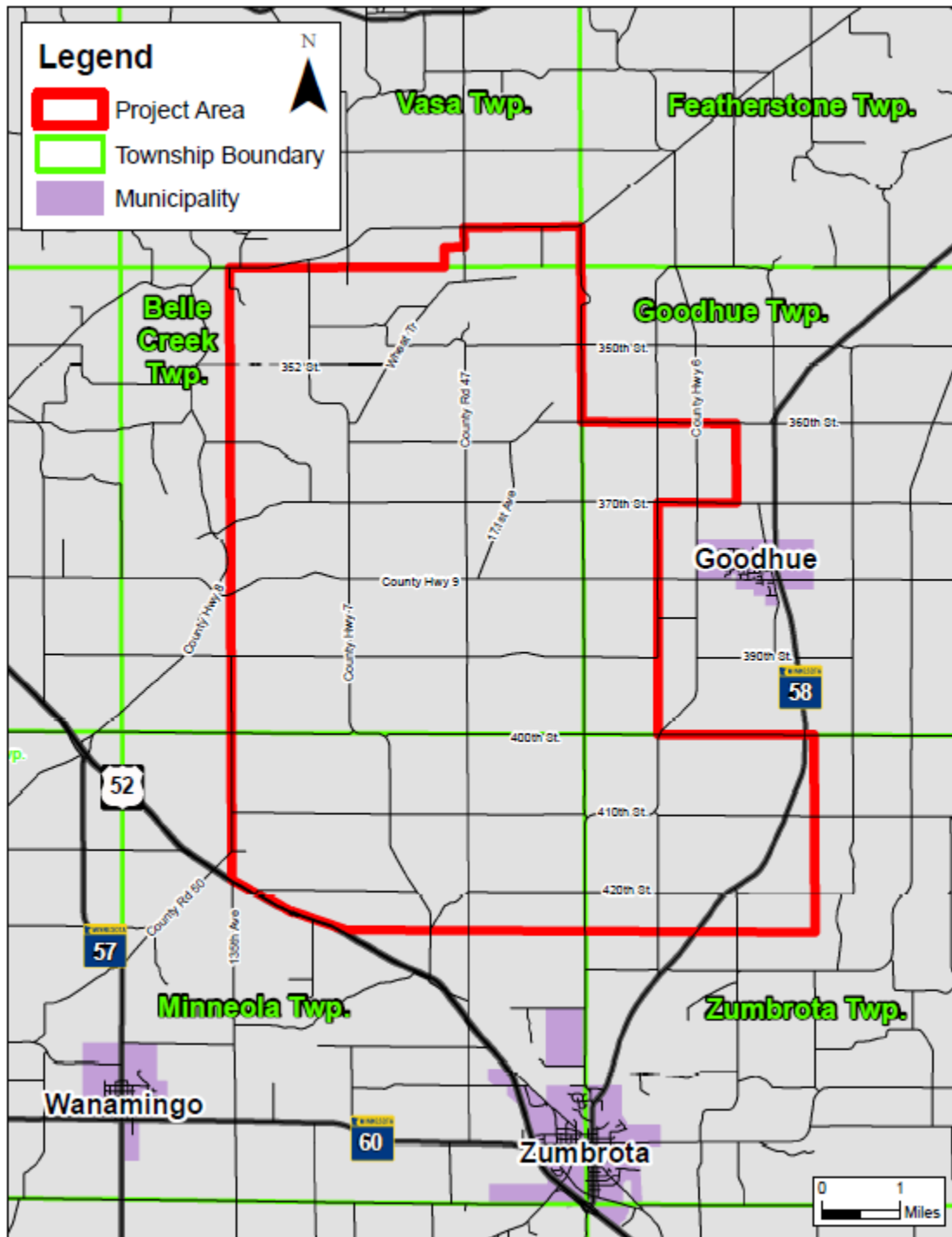
The certificate of need application and environmental report can be found on the eDockets website: <https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/search.jsp> (enter the year “09” and the number “1186”). The LWECs site permit application and draft site permit can be found on the eDockets website (enter the year “08” and the number “1233”).

The site permit application, draft site permit, environmental report, and other relevant documents, including Minnesota statutes and rules governing the site permitting process, are also available on the Commission’s energy facility permitting website at: <http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/Docket.html?Id=25631>

Questions about the Goodhue Wind Project and its applications can also be directed to the applicant by contacting Ben Kerl, Senior Wind Developer, Tel (612) 746-6606, bkerl@nationalwind.com.

Copies of the applications are also available for review at the public library in Zumbrota, the Auditor’s Office in Goodhue County, and the city offices in Goodhue and Zumbrota and with the clerks of Belle Creek, Goodhue, Minneola, Vasa and Zumbrota townships.

This document can be made available in alternative formats (i.e., large print or audio tape) by calling 651- 201-2202 (Voice) or 1-800-627-3529 (TTY relay service).



Public Meeting Notice – Minnesota Forest Resources Council

The Minnesota Forest Resources Council (MFRC) will meet on Wednesday, July 21st from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the University of Minnesota Research and Outreach Center, 1861 Highway 169E, in Grand Rapids, MN

For more information please contact Leslie McInenly at 651-603-6761 or visit the calendar on the MFRC website at <http://www.frc.mn.gov>

STATE OF MINNESOTA Office of Energy Security

ISSUED: July 2, 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

In the Matter of the Lakefield Wind Project, LLC Applications for a Certificate of Need and Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the 205.5 MW Lakefield Wind Project in Jackson County

**Certificate of Need Application, PUC Docket Number: IP-6829/CN-09-1046
Site Permit Application, PUC Docket Number: IP-6829/WS-09-1239**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on behalf of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on the applications of Lakefield Wind Project, LLC (applicant), for a certificate of need and site permit for the proposed Lakefield Wind Project (project). The hearing will address: (1) whether the proposed project is needed and in the public interest, and (2) issues related to the proposed siting of the project. The hearing will be held at the following time and location:

HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

July 19, 2010	6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.	Lakefield Multipurpose Center 112 Main Street Lakefield, Minnesota 56150
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Administrative Law Judge. Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Richard Luis from the Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings will preside at the hearing. Any person who would like to comment on the need for the project or the proposed site can do so at the hearing or in writing to Judge Luis: Richard Luis, Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, St. Paul, MN 55164-0620; (fax) 651-361-7936; e-mail: richard.luis@state.mn.us.

Written Comments. Written comments should be submitted to Judge Luis at the address listed above. Comments will be accepted through **August 6, 2010**. Mailed comments must be postmarked by this date. Faxed and delivered comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on this date.

Environmental Report. The Office of Energy Security, Energy Facility Permitting, has completed and issued an environmental report for the proposed Lakefield Wind Project (see “Project Contacts and Information” below). The environmental report addresses potential human and environmental impacts of the proposed project and alternatives.

Draft Site Permit. On March 9, 2010, the Commission issued an order approving a draft site permit for distribution and public comment.

Purpose and Conduct of the Hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input on or about the project from members of the local community and general public. During the public hearing, members of the public may offer either oral or written testimony, offer exhibits for inclusion in the public hearing record, and ask questions of the applicant and agency representatives. Any person who wishes to ask questions, but does not want to ask the questions personally, may submit them in writing to the ALJ who will then ask the question during the hearing.

Interested persons may comment on the certificate of need, environmental report, and issues related to the proposed siting of the project. The hearing will continue until all persons have had the opportunity to offer testimony and ask questions. If needed, the hearing may be recessed and continued by the ALJ. At the close of the written comment period, Judge Luis will prepare a written summary of the comments received at the hearing and file it with the Commission which will consider them in its deliberations of the certificate of need and site permit applications.

Request for Accommodation. Any person who needs an accommodation for a disability in order to participate in the hearing, and any person who requires an interpreter, including a foreign language interpreter, should promptly notify the Office of Administrative Hearings, P.O. Box 64620, 600 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, Phone: (651) 361-7900 (voice) or (651) 361-7878 (TDD).

Project Description. The proposed Lakefield Wind Project includes 137 General Electric 1.5 MW wind turbine generators mounted on 80 meter (262.5 foot) towers with a rotor diameter of 77 meters (252 feet), gravel access roads to the turbines, an electrical system consisting of underground collection and feeder lines that will deliver power to an on-site, project substation (located near the Lakefield Junction Substation), two permanent meteorological towers, and an operations and maintenance building located near the project substation.

The project site is located in Heron Lake, Belmont, Des Moines and Hunter Townships about six miles west of Jackson, Minn., on either side of I-90 (see attached map). Lakefield Wind has over 19,780 acres under easement agreement within the proposed 28,622 acre project area.

Eminent Domain for Lakefield Wind Project, LLC

The applicant does not have the power of eminent domain to acquire the land or wind rights for the project. Wind and land rights necessary to build the facility must be in the form of voluntary easements or lease agreements between individual landowners and the applicant.

Authority and Statement of Issues to Be Decided. In order to proceed with this project, the applicant must obtain both a certificate of need and a site permit from the Commission. The Commission is authorized by Minnesota Statute section 216B.243, to issue a certificate of need for a large energy facility if the applicant can prove that there is a need for the project. A certificate of need is a state permit that is issued upon a determination that construction of an energy facility is in the public interest.

The Commission is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, sections 216E.02 and 216F.04 to designate sites and issue site permits for certain energy facilities. When the Commission designates a site, it issues a site permit for the construction of a project specifying the design, location, preparation, and operation of the facility, along with any other appropriate conditions it deems necessary. The Commission is required by Minnesota Statutes 216F.05 (3), to hold public meetings and hearings on such applications.

Project Contacts and Information. For more information on the **Certificate of Need**, please contact:

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For additional information regarding the **Site Permit** application, or to place your name on the project mailing list maintained for this project, please contact:

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A copy of the certificate of need application can be found on the eDockets website:

<https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/search.jsp> (enter the year “09” and the number “1046”). The LWECs site permit application and draft site permit can be found on the eDockets website (enter the year “09” and the number “1239”).

Copies of the site permit application, draft site permit, environmental report, and other relevant documents, including Minnesota statutes and rules governing the site permitting process, are also available on the Commission’s energy facility permitting website at:
<http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/Docket.html?Id=25684>

Questions about the project and site permit application can also be directed to the applicant by contacting Ms. Melissa Peterson, Landowner & Community Coordinator, Tel (612) 746-0770 ext. 333; MPeterson@enxco.com or by mail at: Lakefield Wind Project, LLC, 10 Second Street NE, Suite 107, Minneapolis, MN 55413. Copies of the application are also available for review at the public library in Jackson, the Auditor’s Office in Jackson County, the city offices in Jackson and Lakefield and with the clerks of Hunter, Des Moines, Belmont and Heron Lake townships.

This document can be made available in alternative formats (i.e., large print or audio tape) by calling 651-210-2202 (Voice) or 1-800-627-3529 (TTY relay service).

