

August 1, 2017

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*Sent via Electronic Mail*

**Subject: Unresolved Complaint Review Initiation**

Dear Charlie, Dan,

Pursuant to Commission Procedure for Unresolved Complaints (Section H of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Complaint Handling Procedures for Large Wind Energy Conversion Systems, issued in the Site Permit for the Big Blue Wind Farm), this letter is being sent to initiate the Commission's official review process for the noise complaint of Dan Moore (March 1, 2017).

Dan Moore, a resident in the Big Blue project area and a participating landowner, has alleged site permit violations resulting from atypical mechanical, audible noise of nearby turbines. Mr. Moore and Big Blue have been unable to reach a resolution on this matter.

Each party has 10 days from the date of this letter (August 1, 2017) to submit a written summary of their position to the Commission. U.S. Mail and email submissions will be acceptable, so long as the post-mark is no later than August 11, 2017. In your summaries, please include as much detail as is feasible in the timeframe allowed regarding what has taken place during the resolution process for this complaint.

Following submission of the summaries, Commission staff will put together briefing papers for the Commissioners. A meeting of the Commission to assess this complaint will take place within 20 days of briefing papers being filed in the docket. If, in the intervening days, the parties come to an agreement, the Commission will require a written statement from each party. In such an event, the Commission meeting will be cancelled.

If either of you have any questions regarding this process, please let me know.

Thank you,

Kevin George  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission