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VIA EFILING

Mr. Will Seuffert Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Gopher State Solar, LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 200 MW Gopher State Solar Project in Renville County, MN

Site Permit Application
MPUC Docket No. IP7127/GS-24-106

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

Gopher State Solar, LLC (Gopher State Solar), an independent power producer, is proposing to construct and operate an up to 200 megawatt (MW) alternating current photovoltaic solar energy generating facility and associated facilities known as the Gopher State Solar Project in Renville County, Minnesota (Project). Gopher State Solar respectfully submits this Site Permit Application (Application) to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) pursuant to the alternative permitting procedures of Minn. R. parts 7850.2800 to 7850.3900.

Enclosed for filing please find Gopher State Solar's Application for a Site Permit for the Gopher State Solar Project in Renville County, Minnesota, with Figures, public Appendices A-M, and NONPUBLIC Appendix M.

In accordance with Minnesota Rules, part 7829.0500, and Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, Gopher State Solar has designated portions of Appendix M as NONPUBLIC DATA–NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE because it contains commercially-sensitive information regarding Gopher State Solar's total installed capital costs and annual operating costs which, if released, would have a detrimental effect on Gopher State Solar by providing potential competitors and others in the energy marketplace with valuable information not otherwise readily ascertainable and from which these persons would obtain economic value. Gopher State Solar takes measures to ensure this information is not released publicly, including securing the data and entering into confidentiality agreements, as necessary, if the information is provided to another party. Given the need to include nonpublic information, Gopher State Solar has prepared and is electronically filing both NONPUBLIC and public versions of Appendix M.

The documents referenced above have also been electronically filed today through www.edockets.state.mn.us. Gopher State Solar is also providing copies of the Application as

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directed by staff as follows: three (3) copies and one (1) jump drive to the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Energy Environmental Review and Analysis (EERA) staff, and three (3) copies to the Commission staff. A copy of this filing is also being served upon the persons as designated on the Official Service List of record and the general service lists, as applicable. The application fee was previously submitted to EERA under separate cover.

Gopher State Solar requests that the following individuals be placed on the Commission's official service list for this matter, and they consent to electronic service only:

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Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Alicia P. LaValla certifies that on the 19th day of August 2024 she e-filed a true and correct copy

of the following documents on behalf of Gopher State Solar, LLC via eDockets

(www.edockets.state.mn.us):

1. Filing Letter and Certificate of Service;

2. Application for a Site Permit for the Gopher State Solar Project, with

a. Figures;

b. Public Appendices A-M; and

c. NONPUBLIC Appendix M.

A copy of this filing is also being served upon the persons as designated on the Official Service

List and the General Service Lists, as applicable, maintained by the Minnesota Public Utilities

Commission and as attached hereto.

Dated this 19th day of August 2024

/s/ Alicia P. LaValla

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