



# BIG BLUE WIND FARM

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November 6, 2012

Dr. Burl Haar  
Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
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**Re: Informational Filing of Big Blue Wind Farm, LLC**

*In the Matter of the Application of Big Blue Wind Farm, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System (LWECS) Site Permit for the 36 MW Big Blue Wind Farm in Faribault County, Docket No. IP-6851/WS-10-1238*

Dear Dr. Haar:

Big Blue Wind Farm, LLC ("Big Blue") is submitting this informational filing to notify the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") of a change in the upstream ownership of Big Blue Wind Farm, LLC. As a result of Exergy Development Group of Idaho, L.L.C.'s default related to the construction and debt-financing of the Big Blue Wind Farm, Big Blue is now owned 100% by an entity owned and controlled by the Fagen family of Granite Falls, MN. Fagen believes this change in upstream ownership will prove to be a positive development in the permitting, construction and ultimate operation of the Big Blue Wind Farm.

Fagen, Inc. is an international full service construction company based in Granite Falls, MN and is one of the largest renewable energy construction companies in the U.S. Fagen, Inc. is owned and controlled by members of the Fagen family. Fagen is a great fit to enhance Big Blue's relationship with the Commission as Fagen has significant experience with large energy projects, including wind projects; substantial financial wherewithal; excellent creditworthiness; and a strong commitment to the Project and the state of Minnesota.

Fagen has been the engineering, procurement and construction contractor on, and principal lender for, the Big Blue Wind Farm and is fully committed to the on-going construction and operation of the Big Blue Wind Farm in accordance with the terms and conditions of its Site Permit.

Fagen began construction of the project on October 17, 2011 and has been working on the Project continuously since construction began, with a crew and office trailer on site continuously as well. Fagen currently has 58 employees on site, as well as numerous others who are supporting its work on the Project in various capacities remotely.

The project's underground electrical collection system cable was completed before the end of November of 2011. At the same time as the project's underground electrical collection system cable was being installed, site roads to each turbine site were installed and the substation was cut

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to grade. Fagen also installed the turbine foundations during this time. Fagen began construction of the Project's substation in December of 2011 and it was completed in July of 2012. The substation has been successfully tested with the adjacent ITC switchyard. Fagen has also performed site work at each turbine location to prepare a level working condition for the turbine erection crews. Fagen has also installed the project's MET tower.

The Project reached an important milestone on September 14, 2012, when the first turbine section arrived on site. Fagen installed this turbine on September 17, 2012, along with the turbine base grout. All remaining turbines have been received and are erected on site with exception of T-18. Fagen has also achieved mechanical completion on their first turbine this week.

Fagen looks forward to continue working with the Commission and the Department of Commerce's Energy Facilities Permitting ("EFP") Staff to bring the Project into full commercial operation by December 6, 2012.

In accordance with Sections 5.4 and 5.5 of the Site Permit, Big Blue notifies the Commission and the Department's EFP Staff that the Field Manager and Site Manager for the Project is:

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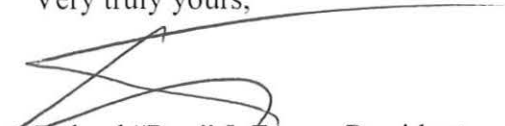
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Finally, because the "permittee" under the Site Permit – Big Blue Wind Farm LLC – has not changed, no changes or amendments to the Site Permit granted to Big Blue are necessary – nor are any being sought. Indeed, it is our expectation that this any transition will be seamless due to Fagen's large and sustained role in the Project since 2011.

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Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,



Roland "Ron" J. Pagen, President

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Susan Hartinger, certifies that on November 7, 2012 she served true and correct copies of **BIG BLUE WIND FARM, LLC'S INFORMATIONAL FILING TO MPUC OF A CHANGE IN UPSTREAM OWNERSHIP** upon the following parties via e-filing and/or U.S. Mail:

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