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VIA EMAIL

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RE: Northern Crescent Solar and Storage – Environmental Assessment

Dear Sam Lobby:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Environmental Assessment (EA) the Northern Crescent Solar and Storage project (Project) located in Faribault County, Minnesota. The Project consists of Northern Crescent Solar LLC (Northern Crescent Solar) constructing and operating a 150 megawatt (MW) solar energy generating system, a 50 MW battery storage system, and associated facilities in Faribault County, Minnesota. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) staff has reviewed the EA and have no comments at this time.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this project. Please be aware that this letter does not constitute approval by the MPCA of any or all elements of the Project for the purpose of pending or future permit actions by the MPCA. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the Project proposer to secure any required permits and to comply with any requisite permit conditions. If you have any questions concerning our review of this EA, please contact me by email at [chris.green@state.mn.us](mailto:chris.green@state.mn.us) or by telephone at 507-476-4258.

Sincerely,

*Chris Green*

*This document has been electronically signed.*

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