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May 30, 2014

Dr. Burl W. Haar
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Re: In the Matter of Renewable Energy Certificate Retirement and Reporting for Compliance
Year 2013 Docket Number E-999/PR-14-12

In the Matter of Commission Consideration and Determination on Compliance with
Renewable Energy Standards Docket Number E-999/M-14-237

In the Matter of the Green Pricing Verification Filing Process Docket No. E-999/PR-02-
1240

Dear Dr. Haar,

Enclosed for filing is the 2013 Renewable Energy Certificate Retirement Report by Great River Energy on behalf of its member cooperative Electric Utilities for compliance with the Minnesota RES and Green Pricing Program, concerning the above referenced dockets. This report is composed of three attachments, GRE A-MN-REC-and-GP-Rpt-2013.xlsx, GRE B-MN-Utility-REC-sales-and-purchases-2013 PUBLIC DOCUMENT - TRADE SECRET DATA EXCISED.xlsx, and GRE B-MN-Utility-REC-sales-and-purchases-2013 NONPUBLIC DOCUMENT - CONTAINS TRADE SECRET DATA.xlsx

We have served a copy to all parties on the service lists either by electronic or First Class US Mail. Please contact me at 763-445-6121 or by email tcarino@greenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

GREAT RIVER ENERGY

/s/ Tammie Carino

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**STATEMENT REGARDING THE JUSTIFICATION FOR EXCISING
TRADE SECRET INFORMATION**

Pursuant to the Commission's September 1, 1999 Revised Procedures for Handling Trade Secret and Privileged Data in furtherance of the intent of Minn. Stat. § 13.37 and Minn. Rule 7829.0500, Great River Energy has designated a portion of its Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) Retirement and Biennial REO-RES Compliance Report for Renewable Energy Standards (RES) and Green Pricing Programs as trade secret data.

Great River Energy has removed certain information from the report to prevent disclosure in order to protect economic value of the information to Great River Energy. Great River Energy engages in the purchasing and selling of RECs in a competitive market. Accordingly, Great River Energy considers certain aspects of those trades, such as pricing, as having economic value from not being generally known to or readily ascertainable by competitors, as well as potential suppliers and buyers, who might derive economic value from its disclosure. Therefore, Great River Energy has excised this information from any applicable public document in the report.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Tammie Carino, hereby certify that on the 30th day of May, 2014, I have served a copy of the following on Dr. Burl W. Haar and Sharon Ferguson, by e-filing, and to all other persons on the attached service list by electronic or First Class US mail service.

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) Retirement and Biennial REO-RES Compliance Report for Renewable Energy Standards (RES) and Green Pricing Programs

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RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS and GREEN PRICING PROGRAMS
Attachment A: REC Retirements & Biennial Compliance Reporting

For the Reporting Period:
January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Instructions

note: items in red indicate changes in reporting from previous year

Due: June 1st, 2014

Complete the following worksheets and e-file in **Excel (XLS or XLSX)** format:

- Worksheet A.1, Utility Info
- Worksheet A.2, Renewable Energy Standard Retail Sales
- Worksheet A.3, Green Pricing Program Retail Sales
- Worksheet A.4, RES & Green Pricing REC Retirements
- Worksheet A.5, Biennial Compliance Reporting**

To e-file, login, or register, at: <https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp>

for directions on how to e-file, see: <http://www.commerce.state.mn.us/eDocFile/eFilingHelp.html>

For questions about Renewable Energy Certificate retirement or compliance with Renewable Energy Standards, contact Susan Mackenzie at 651-201-2241 or at susan.mackenzie@state.mn.us .

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**Renewable Energy Certificate Retirement Report for
 Renewable Energy Standards and Green Pricing
 Programs for the Reporting Period: January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013**

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COMPANY ID #	121	CONTACT NAME	Tammie Carino
COMPANY NAME	Great River Energy	CONTACT TITLE	Resource Planning Analyst
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Attachment A.5

Biennial Compliance reporting

Please report the following items in compliance with the PUC May 28, 2013 Order in Docket No. E999/M-12-958

Ordering Point

4.A. & 5.H. the year through which the utility can maintain compliance with its current renewable portfolio

approximately 2027

4.B. & 5.I. Projected compliance for the current plus three (3) upcoming years.

Year	actual/projected MN retail sales (MWhs)	RES Req (%)	RES Req. (MWhs)	Projected Resources (MWhs)	Projected Surplus/ (Deficit) (MWhs)
2013	11,267,383	12	1,352,086	3,892,555	5,175,585
2014	11,141,943	12	1,337,033	1,848,204	5,636,186
2015	11,128,534	12	1,335,424	1,860,043	6,110,235
2016	11,008,897	17	1,871,513	1,985,448	6,173,600

Previous Balance after 2012 Compliance 2,685,686
 MN GPP 48,921
 48,921
 48,921
 48,921

5.E.2 & 5.F. Identify other State Renewable Standards or Objectives to which the utility is subject, and the percentage of renewable energy allocated to meet the renewable requirements.

State	RES Req.	Apportionment of renewable energy
WI	1649	0.12%

apportionment of renewable energy should reflect each state's percentage of total system sales.

5.E.3 (i) The status of the utility's renewable energy mix relative to the objective & standards.

Great River Energy is in compliance with all MN & WI statutory renewable energy requirements.

5.E.3(ii) Efforts taken to meet the objective and standards

Great River Energy has added renewable resources ahead of the renewable energy objectives and standards. GRE owns and operates the 24 MW Elk River Energy Recovery Station; purchases the output of 469 MW of wind capacity; purchases the output of a variety of biomass facilities; purchases Renewable Energy Credits (RECs).

5.E.3(iii) Obstacles encountered or anticipated in meeting the objective or standards

Load growth - Load growth has declined in our service territory in recent years and the corresponding need for additional renewable energy to meet the MN RES has also declined. **Cost** - Costs for renewable energy continue to be higher than current MISO market prices. As a result, our members are paying more for renewable energy than for energy that could be purchased from the market. Wind and solar energy costs are expected to continue to be higher than MISO market prices without the benefit of federal tax incentives. Natural gas prices may make new natural gas generation resources more affordable than renewable resources to serve load. **Transmission capacity** - Transmission upgrades that allow interconnection of renewable energy or other generation resources can have long lead times. Having adequate transmission capacity is important in assuring that the transmission

5.E.3(iv) Potential solutions to the obstacles

Load growth - Ongoing strong investment in economic development, a renewal in housing starts and further electrification of our society (i.e. electric vehicle adoption) could lead to increased load growth, thereby moving the requirement for additional renewable energy forward. **Cost** - As renewable energy resources become more cost competitive with other generation resource types, renewable energy will become a better economic choice. **Transmission capacity** - The approved CapX202 transmission lines and other critical transmission upgrades will provide additional transmission capacity and reliability in Minnesota and the surrounding region. Additional transmission capacity may also reduce negative economic impacts resulting from a congested transmission system.

5.G. List any renewable generation facilities expected to become operational during the upcoming year

Facility Name	type	Capacity (MW)	Cap. Factor (%)	Expected Comm'l Operation Date
Maple Grove Solar	Solar PV	.25	15%	6/1/2014
DEA Farmington Solar	Solar PV	.024	15%	7/31/2014
LCP Solar	Solar PV	.025	15%	8/31/2014
Itasca Mantrap Solar	Solar PV	.026	15%	8/31/2014
Kandiyohi Solar	Solar PV	.027	15%	8/31/2014
Nobles Solar	Solar PV	.028	15%	9/31/2014
Arrowhead Solar	Solar PV	.029	15%	10/31/2014
Cl&P Solar	Solar PV	.030	15%	10/31/2014
East Central Solar	Solar PV	.031	15%	11/31/2014

5.K. Identify efforts taken to adequately protect against undesirable economic impacts on ratepayers, including, but not limited to keeping customer's bills and the utility's rates as low as practicable, given regulatory and other constraints.

Great River Energy has signed long term power purchase agreements that utilize federal tax incentives. GRE has secured firm transmission service, when economic, to potentially offset transmission congestion impacts. GRE continues to seek cost effective new renewable resources and REC purchases.

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Renewable Energy Certificate Retirement Report for
RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS and GREEN PRICING PROGRAMS
Attachement B: REC Sales and Purchases

For the Reporting Period:

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Instructions

note: items in red indicate changes in reporting from previous year

Due: June 1st, 2014

Complete the following worksheets and e-file in **Excel (XLS or XLSX)** format:

Worksheet B.1, Utility Info

Worksheet B.2, RECs Bought and Sold During the Reporting Period

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