

March 6, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. Daniel P. Wolf Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350 Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Blazing Star Wind Farm, LLC for a Certificate of Need for the 200 Megawatt Blazing Star Wind Project in Lincoln County, Minnesota

MPUC Docket No. IP-6961/CN-16-215; OAH Docket No. 71-2500-34030

Dear Mr. Wolf:

Blazing Star Wind Farm, LLC ("Blazing Star") has reviewed the February 3, 2017, Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources ("DOC-DER") regarding Blazing Star's Application for a Certificate of Need for the Blazing Star Wind Farm (the "Project"). Blazing Star appreciates DOC-DER's comprehensive analysis and concurs with its recommendation that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission issue a Certificate of Need to Blazing Star for the Project.

A copy of this filing is also being served upon the persons on the Official Service List of record. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christina K. Brusven

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STATE OF MINNESOTA) SS. COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

Kristen A. Swenson, of the City of Minneapolis, the County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota, being duly sworn on oath, deposes and states that on the 6th day of March, 2017, she e-filed with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission the following:

- 1. Reply Comments; and,
- 2. Affidavit of Service.

A copy has also been served in accordance with the attached service list of record.

Kristen A. Swenson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of March, 2017

Notary Public

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NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA\$

My Commission Expires
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