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VIA EFILING AND U.S. MAIL

The Honorable Eric L. Lipman Office of Administrative Hearings P.O. Box 64620 St. Paul, MN 55164-0620

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

RE: In the Matter of the Application of Flying Cow Wind, LLC for a Certificate of Need for the up to 152 MW Bitter Root Wind Project and Associated Facilities in Yellow Medicine County, Minnesota; MPUC Docket No. IP-6984/CN-17-676

In the Matter of the Application of Flying Cow Wind, LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 152 MW Bitter Root Wind Project and Associated Facilities in Yellow Medicine County, Minnesota; MPUC Docket No. IP-6984/WS-17-749

OAH Docket no. 8-2500-35843

Dear Judge Lipman and Mr. Wolf:

Our firm represents Avangrid Renewables, LLC ("Avangrid"). On March 25, 2019, Avangrid entered into an agreement whereby it obtained all of the outstanding membership interests in Flying Cow Wind, LLC ("Project").

Given the change of ownership of the Project, Avangrid respectfully requests that the Office of Administrative Hearings ("OAH") and Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") close OAH Docket No. 8-2500-35843 and MPUC Docket No. IP-

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6984/CN-17-676 and MPUC Docket No. IP-6984/WS-17-749. Avangrid intends to submit a new certificate of need application for this Project at a future date, reflecting the change in ownership and any other pertinent changes, and believes the record will be best served by starting the certificate of need process over from the beginning.

Avangrid is also re-evaluating the site permit application to determine the most appropriate path forward and believes the site permit process too will benefit from closing the current docket and starting the regulatory process, from the beginning, at a later date. As part of this future process, Avangrid will honor the October 30, 2018 Stipulation between Flying Cow Wind, LLC and the Lake Cochrane Improvement Association.

Given these developments, Avangrid respectfully requests that the Prehearing Status and Scheduling Conference currently scheduled for April 22, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. before Judge Lipman be cancelled.

Avangrid will be reaching out to stakeholders and the Commission as it determines the timing and the next regulatory steps related to this Project. Avangrid appreciates the Administrative Law Judge's and the Commission's attention to this matter and looks forward to working with all stakeholders to bring this Project to fruition.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

WINTHROP & WEINSTINE, P.A.

/s/ Eric F. Swanson

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cc. All parties of record

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

Mary G. Holly, of the City of Lake Elmo, County of Washington, the State of Minnesota, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the 4th day of April, 2019, she served the attached **Correspondence - Request to Close Dockets** to all said persons on the attached Service Lists, true and correct copies thereof, by eFiling and/or by depositing the same enclosed in an envelope, postage prepaid in the United States Mail at the post office in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

<u>/s/ Mary G. Holly</u> MARY G. HOLLY

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of April, 2019.

/s/ Jane E. Justice

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: January 31, 2020

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