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Mr. Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 East Seventh Place, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147
VIA eFile

RE: SUPPORT of CenterPoint Energy's Proposed Renewable Natural Gas Interconnection Service (Docket No. G-008/M-20-434)

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

We will to express our support for CenterPoint's petition to create a renewable natural gas program in Minnesota.

Organic Waste Systems (OWS) is a leading provider of large scale facilities for the conversion of organic waste from both municipal solid waste and agricultural residues to renewable natural gas. OWS is in regular communications with several Minnesota counties (e.g. Ramsey, Washington, Hennepin) who are currently evaluating their options for diversion of organic waste from landfills to create a more sustainable future. As of the 2013 State-wide study, more than 800,000 tons of digestible organics were being sent to landfill which represents the potential for 2.5 billion cubic feet of renewable natural gas.

The creation of a renewable natural gas program in Minnesota will significantly increase the State's ability to produce and supply its own natural gas, avoiding the need for imports while creating economic activity, jobs and cleaner air. The program is necessary to ensure that renewable natural gas has clear and fair quality standards and is readily accepted into the gas grid. We fully support the petition and urge the Commission to adopt it.

Respectfully,

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