



June 16, 2020

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 (RNG)  
Interconnection Service (Docket No. G-008/M-20-434)

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

I am writing in support of CenterPoint's petition to create a renewable natural gas program.

Bluesource has a 20-year history in greenhouse gas markets. We have specialized in renewable natural gas and carbon offset development in the U.S. and Canada. We now represent 160 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations throughout the U.S. and pair gas to those stations. We also do the registration, monitoring, reporting, and monetization of environmental attributes associated with that gas under the federal Renewable Fuel Standard and the California Low Carbon Fuel Standard.

An RNG program would be beneficial for CenterPoint, the State of Michigan, and the wider global community as it would provide needed support for the fledgling biogas industry while tackling climate change. Digester construction, maintenance, and biogas upgrading, conditioning, and interconnection are complex and costly processes. Without support for this industry through special RNG tariffs and subsidies, methane emissions from onsite manure lagoons, that could be a valuable commodity, will continue to emit a potent greenhouse gas into the atmosphere. Helping to create a circular economy where a waste product can power vehicles and displace the "brown" natural gas extracted from the earth can support farmers in need while creating a bridge to a cleaner future through CNG vehicles.

The proposed CenterPoint program would help customers voluntarily reduce their emissions as they would be able to elect RNG. Taking this type of direct action to reduce their Scope 1 emissions is the type of action that corporations and residential customers have been looking for in this new age of net zero carbon emission ambitions.

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Feel free to reach out with any questions that you have regarding Bluesource's support of this program.

Sincerely,

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