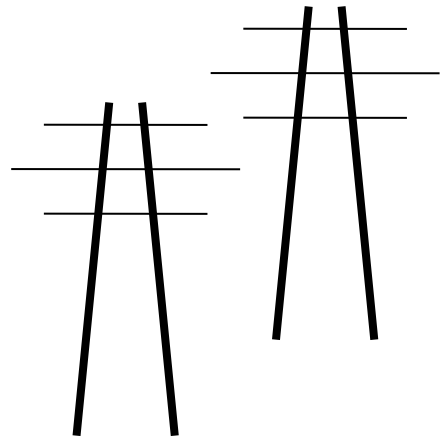


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RE: In the Matter of the Application of ITC
Midwest LLC for a Certificate of Need for the
Minnesota-Iowa 345 kV Transmission Line
Project in Jackson, Martin, and Faribault Counties

OAH Docket No.: 60-2500-30782
PUC Dockets: ET-6675/TL-12-1337
ET-6675/CN-12-1053

Dear Judge LaFave:

Attached please find Motion to Compel and for Leave to Participate in Discovery and Cross-Examination of Citizens Energy Task Force and NoCapX 2020 in the above-entitled dockets.

A hardcopy is being mailed to you in addition to eFiling and eService.

Thank you for your consideration of this Motion.

Very truly yours,

Carol A. Overland
Attorney at Law

cc: Citizens Energy Task Force and No CapX 2020

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
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FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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CITIZENS ENERGY TASK FORCE AND NO CAPX 2020

**MOTION TO COMPEL ANSWERS TO INFORMATION REQUESTS
AND FOR LEAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCOVERY AND CROSS-EXAMINATION**

Citizens Energy Task Force and NoCapX 2020 hereby move for an Order to compel Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy and the Izaak Walton League to provide the information requested in the Information Requests served upon them on February 17, 2014. Minn. R. 1400.6700, Subp. 2. The information requested by CETF and No CapX 2020 is needed for the proper presentation of its case, is not for purposes of delay, and the issues in controversy are directly relevant and significant enough to warrant the discovery. CETF and No CapX 2020 also request leave of the Court to conduct discovery, and to cross-examine witnesses, with the specific condition that the schedule remain as set out in the Prehearing Order Minn. R. 1400.6600. No party will be prejudiced as we do not request any change in the established hearing schedule by this Motion to Compel and for Leave to Participate.

Should parties wish to contest this Motion, they must file a written response with the Administrative Law Judge and serve all parties within ten (10) working days after it is received. Minn. R. 1400.6600.

CETF and No CapX 2020 have served Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy and the Izaak Walton League (hereinafter "MCEA, et al.") with Information Requests 1 through 7. MCEA, et al., have refused to answer the Information Requests. See Affidavit of Overland, Attachment A and Exhibits. On February 18, Kevin Reuther stated:

MCEA received your February 17, 2014 email which included CETF and No CAPX2020 IR #s 1 - 7. As we discussed on the telephone, MCEA does not intend to respond to these IRs. Judge LaFave's order granting CETF and No CAPX 2020's motion to intervene states:

"[CETF and No CAPX 2020] may review discovery in this docket, information requests between the parties, file an initial brief, a reply brief and exceptions. No other participation in this proceeding will be allowed." MCEA interprets this to mean that it has no obligation to respond to discovery requests served by CETF and No CAPX 2020.

Moreover, as we also discussed, MCEA views CETF and No CAPX 2020's requests as overbroad, unduly burdensome, not relevant to the pending matter, and not likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

See Affidavit of Overland. Mr. Reuther is correct in that the Order, and the CETF and No CapX2020 Petition for Intervention, did not contemplate discovery on behalf of CETF and NO CapX 2020. However, MCEA, et al., have not participated actively in this docket, only the Dept. of Commerce has served Information Requests. MCEA, et al., have not served any Information Requests on the Applicant, and their position(s) are unclear. CETF and NoCapX respectfully requests that MCEA, et al., be ordered to provide the information requested in the Information Requests. Further, because of the lack of active participation of any party, and the import of this docket as the first openly MVP project, CETF and No CapX 2020 request leave of the Court to conduct discovery, and to cross-examine witnesses, with the specific direction that the schedule remain as set out in the Prehearing Order, and that no request for by CETF and No CapX2020

will be considered. No CapX and CETF also request an Order that MCEA, et al., be compelled to answer our Information Requests.

These Information Requests are relevant in this docket because:

- The Information Requests focus on agreements made by these organizations going back at least 15 years regarding promotion of transmission generally; promotion of transmission in Southwest Minnesota; express or implied terms regarding intervention, support, and participation in transmission and express or implied agreement not to oppose; and approval of transmission-only companies such as TRANSLink and applicant ITC Midwest which now holds transmission assets formerly owned by Northern States Power and Interstate Power and Light; all directly relevant in the above-captioned proceeding. See e.g., Aff. of Overland, Ex. A p. 4 of 83, Merger Agreement, para. 4; TRANSLink Agreement, p. 8-22.
- The Information Requests focus on related agreements made by these organizations to promote, advocate for and/or not oppose particular policies and/or projects, either directly or through third parties. See, e.g., Aff. of Overland, Ex. A p. 4 of 83, Merger Agreement, para. 8; Ex. A, TRANSLink Agreement, p. 8-22 of 83.
- The Information Requests focus on agreements negotiated and executed by employees of these organizations who are now in state agency positions of decision making regarding transmission and energy, specifically Bill Grant, who since 1992 was employed by the Izaak Walton League, first as director of the League's Midwest Office from 1992 to 1995, and then the associate executive director of the Izaak Walton League of America since 1995. Wind on the Wires was a program and significant funding stream of the Izaak Walton League from 2001 until its 2011 organizational independence was established. Grant is now Deputy Commissioner of Commerce Energy and Telecommunications for the Minnesota Department of Commerce, responsible for developing and managing programs and policies for Energy Planning and Advocacy, Energy Facility Permitting, the State Energy Office, Energy Assistance, Telecommunications, and the Broadband Development Office. Affidavit of Overland, Exhibit B, Grant Biography.
- The Information Requests seeks agreements, known and ones that were not disclosed, to identify the terms of which influence interventions and positions taken in interventions, such as the above-captioned transmission docket. The Wind on the Wires Intervention Petition¹ did list some specific interests, but did not disclose specifically that it was intervening in support of the project. The other MCEA, et al., organizations' joint Intervention Petition² listed no interests or position whatsoever –

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if they are bootstrapping on the Wind on the Wires intervention, they are duplicative, and their interests are adequately represented by Wind on the Wires.

- The Information Requests focus on funding for transmission related activities, seeking agreements and terms of engagement, including the RE-AMP funding to these and other organizations to promote transmission and frame messaging, and “Wind on the Wires” funding from McKnight of at least \$4.5 million at the time of the SW MN 345 kV case (01-1958) and \$8.1 million days after the TRANSLink agreement was filed at the Public Utilities Commission (02-2152 Northern States Power)(02-2119 Interstate Power & Light). See Aff. of Overland, Exhibit A p. 72-75, RE-AMP Master List; Exhibit C, Wind on the Wires \$4.5 million transmission grant; Exhibit D, Wind on the Wires \$8.1 million transmission grant.
- The Information Requests are specifically relevant in this docket because of agreements made by MCEA, et al., regarding 825 MW of wind and transmission-only companies, and this project’s connection at Lakefield Junction physically, electrically, and in policy, to the SW MN 345 kV case, and due to ITC Midwest, a transmission-only company, as Applicant in this case. See e.g., Aff. of Overland, Ex. A p. 4 of 83, Merger Agreement, para. 4; TRANSLink Agreement, p. 8-22.

These issues raised in the Information Requests are relevant to this case. Some may argue that the agreements included as Exhibits from 1999 and 2003 are too old to be relevant, but these agreements set the stage for the 2001 SW MN 345 kV transmission line claimed to be “for wind,” and to which this ITC Midwest transmission line directly connects. The 2003 TRANSLink docket, for which ITC’s Grover led the effort, was the precedent for ITC Midwest in Minnesota. There are likely other more contemporaneous agreements, of which the Information Requests seek disclosure.

When organizations framed as advocates of “environmental” and/or “renewable energy” are promoting a position, it could be presumed, mistakenly, that the position is necessarily in furtherance of “environmental” interests, or in promotion of “renewable energy.” However,

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where the position advanced in regulatory proceedings is based on terms of agreements and funding contracts, the organizations' advocacy could well be against the public interest, inconsistent with their members' interests, harmful to the environment, facilitate marketing of fossil fuel generation, and have the opposite impact of what their organizations' image implies. The position advocated, the specific interest, and any contractual terms must be disclosed.

For example, there is no demonstration that transmission "for wind" reduces coal generation. Instead, transmission expansion does facilitate increased marketing capacity for coal generated electricity in the MISO market, and closing coal plants would open up transmission capacity for renewable generation. In this case, it is particularly relevant due to coal plants in the immediate vicinity to MVP 3, such as the MidAmerican Energy Center, and the transmission from North Dakota coal plants through South Dakota connecting to this ITC Midwest's projects' extension of transmission's march across southern Minnesota.

Another example of relevancy of positions of MCEA, et al., is regarding their promotion of transmission "for wind," despite economic and electrical inefficiencies of transmission. Advocacy for long distance transmission for wind denies its inherent inefficiency -- wind is a low capacity factor means of generation, and over distance, transmission associated line losses mean that very little electricity generated by wind would arrive at a far-away market.

Discovery is needed for the proper presentation of the CETF and No CapX 2020 case, which focuses on this project as an enabler, facilitating "transmission for coal to market" and disregarding the inherent inefficiency of transmission. This request is not for purposes of delay, and the issues in controversy are significant enough to warrant the discovery. If parties such as MCEA, et al., have executed agreements in which a term is that they will intervene in support of a project, the terms of that agreement, the position to be advocated, the support required, and the

funding and funding sources for those activities should be disclosed. The contractual obligations and benefits relating to transmission generally, this transmission project specifically, transmission-only companies and ITC Midwest specifically, must be disclosed on the record for a full and fair record in this proceeding.

CETF and No CapX 2020 requests leave of the Court to conduct discovery, and to cross-examine witnesses, with the specific direction that the schedule remain as set out in the Prehearing Order. CETF and No CapX 2020 are not requesting any change of schedule or delay in the established Scheduling Order. CETF and NoCapX also requests that its Motion to Compel in the above-captioned proceeding be granted and that Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy and the Izaak Walton League be ordered to provide the information requested in the Information Requests.

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6. CETF and No CapX 2020 requested all responses to Information Requests from the Applicant, and was notified that only the Dept. of Commerce had served Information Requests, and we were promptly mailed Applicant responses to Information Requests thus far.
7. On February 18, 2014, I received a telephone call from Kevin Reuther, Legal Director of MCEA, in which he stated that they would not be responding to the Information Requests, and followed up in writing to that effect in an email received that same day:

MCEA received your February 17, 2014 email which included CETF and No CAPX2020 IR #s 1 - 7. As we discussed on the telephone, MCEA does not intend to respond to these IRs. Judge LaFave's order granting CETF and No CAPX 2020's motion to intervene states:

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Moreover, as we also discussed, MCEA views CETF and No CAPX 2020's requests as overbroad, unduly burdensome, not relevant to the pending matter, and not likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

- As an attorney, I have represented clients in Public Utilities Commission Dockets where one or more of the MCEA, et al., organizations have participated in an agreement which has influenced, affected and/or directed their position taken, including but not limited to Northern States Power's attempt to site nuclear waste in Florence Township at the EQB and NRC (1995-2000); SW MN 345 kV transmission project (01-1958); CapX 2020 transmission Certificate of Need (06-1115); Big Stone II transmission (06-619); Mesaba Energy Project (05-1993).
- I have also represented many clients substantively detrimentally affected by legislation promoted and lobbied for by Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy and the Izaak Walton League, individually or jointly, including the 1994 and 2003 Prairie Island legislation (dry cask storage expansion and Excelsior Energy Mesaba Project) and the 2005 Omnibus Bill re: Transmission and C-BED (Ch. 97). These bills resulted in policy and infrastructure projects which directly affected my clients who then became engaged in opposition to these projects, including Northern States Power's attempt to site nuclear waste in Florence Township at the EQB and NRC (1995-2000, withdrawn); SW MN 345 kV transmission project (01-1958, built); CapX 2020 transmission Certificate of Need (06-1115, approved) and CapX 2020 Routing (08-1474, 09-1056, 09-1448, 05-CE-136 in Wisconsin, built); Big Stone II transmission (06-619, withdrawn); Mesaba Energy Project (05-1993 denied, 06-668, permitted and

lingering on), Kenyon Wind Project (06-1445 – Permit Revoked); Goodhue Wind (08-1233, 09-1349, 09-1350, 09-1186 – Permit Revoked). There is a pattern of MCEA, et al., deal-making and subsequent harmful unintended consequences and/or detrimental impacts.

- To my knowledge, MCEA, et al., have not participated in any transmission Certificate of Need docket where there was not an associated agreement regarding their participation.

Further your affiant sayeth naught.

March 7, 2014

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Signed and affirmed before me this

7th day of March, 2014.

Patti Killian

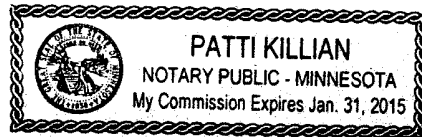


Exhibit A

Information Requests served February 17, 2014

on

Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Wind on the Wires,
Fresh Energy and the Izaak Walton League

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ITC Midwest Transmission Project - Information Request #2

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: ET6675/CN-12-1053 Request Date: February 18, 2014
OAH Docket No.: 60-2500-30782

Requested From: Elizabeth Goodpaster, MCEA, as attorney for MCEA, WOW, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League.

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for No CapX2020 and CETF

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
2.	<p>MCEA, Izaak Walton League, Fresh Energy and WOW have negotiated with utilities regarding transmission, and have made agreements in which transmission is a subject. For example, agreements were negotiated with Xcel/NSP during the time period of the Southwest Minnesota 345kV proceeding (PUC Docket 01-1958), resulting in at least two agreements, the “Community Wind agreement,” (see reference in ALJ Recommendation in Docket 01-1958) and the agreement filed in the ITC/NSP TRANSLink Docket 02-2152 (attached). The 1999 NSP “Merger Agreement” also had a paragraph related to transmission in Southwest Minnesota (attached).</p> <p>a. Please provide complete copies of any and all agreements, stipulations, and/or contracts with any utility, co-operative, municipal utility and/or transmission company regarding transmission, and/or expressly or impliedly related to transmission, including but not limited to, “TRANSLink agreement,” “Merger Agreement,” “Collector System,” “Big Stone,” “Distributed Generation Study,” etc.</p> <p>b. For the above organizations, individually or collectively, please provide complete copies of any and all agreements with any utility, co-operative, municipal utility and/or transmission company) and/or contracts regarding requirements, incentives, parameters, and/or limits to the organizations’ intervention, comment and/or participation in specific or general transmission docket(s) and/or transmission related activities, such as intervention and participation in</p>

permitting, rate or rulemaking proceedings, lobbying for transmission or tariff legislation (particularly 2005 Ch. 97), transmission entities and transfer of assets, wind promotion, etc.

- c. In conjunction with agreements and contractual obligations above, provide copies of any dependent, related, ancillary and/or associated side agreements and/or funding agreements, expressly or impliedly regarding transmission, entirely or in part.
- d. Identify and provide copies of any agreements, stipulations, contracts, etc., which contain contractual requirements, incentives, boundaries and/or limits to participation in the ITC transmission Certificate of Need (12-1053) and/or Routing (12-1337) dockets.
- e. Identify and provide copies of any agreements, stipulations, contracts, etc. with utilities, co-operatives, municipal utilities, project developers, including but not limited to those above, signed by William Grant, formerly Izaak Walton League, and Nancy Lange, formerly Izaak Walton League.

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by:	_____	List sources of information:	_____
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MINNESOTANS FOR AN ENERGY-EFFICIENT ECONOMY'S
Sustainable Minnesota

UTILITY MERGER INFORMATION



A Chronological Listing of What's New at Sustainable Minnesota

**Environmental Coalition Agreement with Northern States Power Company
in the Matter of NSP and New Centures Energy's Proposed Merger**

STIPULATION AGREEMENT

MN PUC Docket E,G002/PA-99-1031

This Stipulation Agreement made this 15th day of December, 1999, by and between Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) ("NSP"), on behalf of itself and its public utility subsidiaries, Izaak Walton League of America, Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy and Environmental Law and Policy Center of the Midwest (referred to as the Environmental Coalition), and hereinafter referred to as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, the Environmental Coalition has a membership which includes customers of NSP; and

WHEREAS, NSP has proposed to merge with New Century Energies, Inc. ("NCE"); and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Coalition believes that NSP's decision to merge with NCE may adversely impact the effectiveness of Minnesota regulatory process to protect the public interest; and

NOW THEREFORE, It is agreed that:

1. NSP agrees to study the technical feasibility and economic impact of conversion of first its High Bridge plant (units 3 and 4) and then its Riverside (units 7 and 8) generating facility to natural gas. The studies will be conducted in a time frame that allows NSP to gain information from its current Black Dog Repowering effort, but is not contingent on the outcome of the Blackdog Certificate of Need process, and in any event not later than July 1, 2001. NSP agrees to provide information regarding how it will conduct the feasibility study to the Environmental Coalition. The feasibility criteria used by NSP will be based on factors aimed at measuring the potential profitability of the converted facilities based on the assumed revenue stream and the cost, taking into consideration: environmental externality values set by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission; the current cost of producing electricity at these units where applicable; the estimated cost of producing or purchasing electricity from an alternative facility or supplier; the value of any net additional generating capacity; the value of new generating capacity with load following capability; an analysis of market

conditions at the time of the studies. NSP agrees to include the results of the studies in its resource plan following the completion of the studies as a potential resource option.

2. NSP agrees that it will conduct an evaluation of both demand-side and supply-side non-nuclear resource options to its Prairie Island nuclear generating units in the event of a pre-license expiration shutdown and file it with the Commission in its upcoming resource plan.

3. NSP agrees that its new public utility subsidiary of Xcel, Inc. will be subject to applicable Minnesota Statutes including but not limited to provisions related to conservation and renewable energy. NSP further agrees that its control over output, the economic life of the plant and the budget make it a "public utility that operates a nuclear generating facility" for purposes of Minnesota statutes, rules and orders of the applicable regulatory agencies and that the transfer of NSP's licenses to operate nuclear facilities issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to the Nuclear Management Company will in no way affect this interpretation or the applicability of rules and orders adopted pursuant to such Minnesota statutes.

4. NSP agrees to undertake the necessary transmission studies with respect to upgrades needed to move additional increments of up to a total of 825 MW of wind generation from within the State of Minnesota, subject to the requirements and procedures of FERC Order 888/889. Upon review of the most feasible transmission alternatives, NSP agrees that it will seek all necessary regulatory approvals, including regional transmission planning approvals, and will file for a Certificate of Need and/or Environmental Impact Statement, as required by law, by July, 2001, unless the requirements for filing have not been satisfied, such that a filing made on this date would not satisfy the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's requirements for Certificate of Need filings, in which case the filing shall be made within a reasonable period thereafter. In the event that wind resources are not procured in an all-source bidding scheduled for 2000 or 2001, NSP agrees to provide an assessment of the impediments to wind in an all-source bidding process in its July 1, 2002 resource plan. The Parties agree to work together to remove the identified impediments to wind energy with the intention of improving its performance in subsequent all-source bidding processes. Efforts to remove the identified impediments may include, but are not limited to, legislative initiatives to lower costs, initiatives to improve wind accreditation, identification of preferred sites for wind developments, and improvements to wind forecasting to address operational issues. Nothing in this provision waives either Parties' right to argue their position regarding wind procurement before the MPUC in future Resource Plan proceedings.

5. NSP agrees to study the potential for distributed generation technologies on its system in its July 2000 resource plan. This study shall include analysis of opportunities and economics of distributed wind, fuel cell, microturbine, and industrial cogeneration technologies up to 5000 kilowatts in size. Unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties, within one year after a Commission order approving the merger, NSP will file a distributed generation tariff to facilitate low-cost, safe and standardized interconnection for dispersed generation on its system. NSP agrees to consult with the Coalition in the design of the study and the proposed tariff.

6. New NSP Utility agrees to continue to seek approval of affiliated interest agreements as required by Minn. Stat. 216B.48 and that it will not raise federal preemption as a defense to Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's decisions with respect to Resource Planning. Further, NSP commits to not claim that federal preemption precludes the Commission from evaluating and disallowing recovery of costs allocated to New NSP Utility on the basis of imprudence, including costs allocated to New NSP Utility under an affiliated interest agreement or the Joint Operating Agreement, and agrees to hold ratepayers harmless from any decision overruling the Commission's decision in the event that another party successfully challenges an MPUC Order by raising federal preemption under these circumstances where NSP has waived such right.

7. This Stipulation Agreement resolves all issues among the parties in MPUC Docket E_G002/PA-99-1031 related to approval and consummation of the merger including the intervention filed by the Environmental Coalition on November 1, 1999. The Environmental Coalition agrees not to either directly or indirectly through third parties oppose, delay or otherwise seek to place further conditions on NSP and NCE's proposed merger in any state or federal regulatory or other legal proceeding.

8. This Stipulation Agreement applies to each of the Parties and shall be binding on the successors and assigns of the Parties and any subsequent owner of a material portion of the transmission assets of NSP. This Stipulation Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute an admission by any Party that any allegation or contention is true and valid except as to the terms provided for in the Stipulation Agreement, and shall establish no principles or precedents.

9. NSP will perform the commitments described in this Stipulation Agreement regardless of whether the merger is consummated.

10. This Agreement may be executed in identical counterparts with the same effect as if a single copy were executed.

Signed by:

Northern States Power Company

Izaak Walton League of America and

The Environmental Law and Policy Center of the Midwest

Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy

Dated: December 15, 1999

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
BEFORE THE
MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Ellen Gavin	Commissioner
Marshall Johnson	Commissioner
Gregory Scott	Commissioner
Phyllis Reha	Commissioner

Petition of Northern States Power Company
d/b/a Xcel Energy for Approval of the
Transfer of Functional Control of Transmission
Facilities to TRANSLink Transmission
Company LLC and for Related Relief

Docket No. E002, PT6025/PA-02-2152

and

Petition of Interstate Power and Light
Company For Approval of the Transfer
of Functional Control of Transmission
Facilities To TRANSLink Transmission
Company LLC And For Related Relief

Docket No. E001, PT6205/PA-02-2219

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") is made and entered into this 20th day of June, 2003, by and between TRANSLink Management Development Corporation ("TRANSLink Development") for itself and on behalf of its successor TRANSLink Management Corporation, and the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office and Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy and North American Water Office (jointly, "the Intervenor") collectively referred to as the "Parties."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, On December 16, 2002, Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy ("Xcel Energy") petitioned the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission")

for an Order authorizing the transfer of functional control of its transmission facilities in the State of Minnesota to TRANSLink Transmission Company LLC ("TRANSLink") and transfer of ownership of Xcel Energy's Energy Management System ("EMS") software pursuant to Minn. Stat. 216B.50 (the "Xcel Energy Petition");

WHEREAS, On December 30, 2002, Interstate Power and Light Company ("IPL") petitioned the Commission for an Order authorizing the transfer of control and ownership of its transmission facilities in the State of Minnesota to TRANSLink (the "IPL Petition");

WHEREAS, the Xcel Energy Petition and the IPL Petition are collectively referred to herein as "the Petitions;"

WHEREAS, On or about March 24, 2003 the Intervenors submitted initial comments on the Petitions to the Commission and expressed concerns relating to the TRANSLink transmission planning process and TRANSLink's ability to satisfy certificate of need ("CON") information requirements.

WHEREAS, at least one of the Intervenors petitioned the Commission for intervention as a party pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7829.0800 and more than 15 days have elapsed without an objection to that petition being filed;

WHEREAS, On April 14, 2003, the Intervenors submitted reply comments wherein Intervenors requested that the Commission require Xcel Energy to provide satisfactory mechanisms to ensure formal and meaningful stakeholder participation in the TRANSLink transmission planning process and to ensure that TRANSLink will satisfy the content requirements for resource planning and CON filings TRANSLink may submit proposing to construct transmission facilities in Minnesota;

WHEREAS, the Intervenor also expressed concerns in comments regarding the ability of the Commission to require TRANSLink to take actions to modify its transmission planning process because TRANSLink was not a petitioner in this proceeding;

WHEREAS, On April 14, 2003, TRANSLink Development, the predecessor entity to TRANSLink Management Corporation, filed reply comments and petitioned the Commission for intervention as a party pursuant to Minnesota Rule 7829.0800 and more than 15 days have elapsed without an objection to that petition being filed;

WHEREAS, TRANSLink Development and Intervenor is each a party to the above captioned proceeding by operation of Minnesota Rule 7829.0800, Subpart 5;

WHEREAS, After these filings, representatives from Intervenor met with TRANSLink Development and discussed the concerns of Intervenor;

WHEREAS, TRANSLink Development and Intervenor have agreed to make certain commitments to each other, which commitments would fully satisfy Intervenor's concerns about the Xcel Energy petition and the proposed transfers to TRANSLink;

WHEREAS, TRANSLink and Intervenor recognize the rapidly expanding legislative, regulatory, and market support for continued strong growth of wind power in the TRANSLink footprint, and agree that it is reasonable to expect that at least 7500 megawatts (MW) of new wind power will be operational in the TRANSLink footprint by 2015;

WHEREAS, The Parties wish to memorialize these commitments in this Settlement Agreement to fully and finally settle all of Intervenor's concerns in this proceeding about the Xcel Energy petition and the proposed transfers to TRANSLink;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual promises and undertakings set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. To the extent reasonable and practicable, TRANSLink shall avoid filing exemption requests when it files CON applications for future transmission facilities in Minnesota, including when it makes transmission project filings under the statewide biennial transmission planning process. TRANSLink shall not file exemption requests on the grounds that TRANSLink neither owns or controls, or manages electric generation or electric distribution facilities. TRANSLink commits to work with all of its Participants in Minnesota to gather the information required for a CON application. If TRANSLink files a request to be exempt from any Minnesota CON filing requirement because neither TRANSLink nor its Participants can gather the required data, TRANSLink will identify in such exemption request the steps TRANSLink has taken to obtain the data and explain why neither TRANSLink nor its Participants could provide the data.

2. Once TRANSLink begins operations and provides service under its rate schedules, the Intervenor and TRANSLink shall jointly undertake to create a coalition of organizations that support the development in TRANSLink's footprint of small-scale community-based and large-scale wind generation (the "Wind Coalition"). The purpose of the Wind Coalition will be to work with TRANSLink to develop the infrastructure, operations, and tariffs needed to serve wind generation throughout the TRANSLink footprint. The Wind Coalition shall compile and submit to TRANSLink Wind Development Plan(s) for use in determining what transmission infrastructure development, operational solutions, and tariff changes may be needed to serve forecast wind generation development within TRANSLink's

footprint. To address seams issues, the Wind Development Plan(s) may also consider forecast wind generation development in states or other areas adjacent to the TRANSLink footprint.

3. TRANSLink Development will develop the TRANSLink Planning Process, a working draft of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, in a way that affords the Wind Coalition a level of participation in the TRANSLink regional planning process at least as great as Intervenor may have in the MISO super-regional and Mid-Continent Area Power Pool ("MAPP") regional planning processes. The Intervenor's level of participation in the TRANSLink Planning Process shall never be less than that currently afforded to Intervenor under the MISO and MAPP planning processes except where such participation is, through no effort of TRANSLink, limited by any court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction. For example, the Wind Coalition may participate in the scenario planning process and participate in and comment on TRANSLink study scopes, problem identification, solution development, solution testing and solution evaluations. Consistent with the nature of its participation at MAPP and MISO, the Wind Coalition will provide assumptions relating to wind generation for use in planning scenarios and assist TRANSLink in identifying potential non-transmission solutions where appropriate. Non-transmission solutions may include, but are not limited to, control strategies, distribution or generation solutions, demand side management, operational solutions, or tariff modifications.

4. As part of the Wind Coalition's participation in the TRANSLink Planning Process, the Wind Coalition will:

- (a) Annually prepare and submit a forecast (the "Wind Development Plan") of the quantity of wind generation expected to be installed in the TRANSLink

region, where that wind generation is likely to be located and when the generation is expected to come on-line.

(b) TRANSLink shall integrate the Wind Development Plan into the TRANSLink Planning Process, including but not limited to TRANSLink "scenario" planning initiatives. As part of the TRANSLink Planning Process, TRANSLink shall work with the Wind Coalition to analyze and identify the transmission infrastructure requirements, operational modifications, and tariff changes that may be needed to serve the forecasted wind generation (the "Wind Response Plan"). TRANSLink shall provide the Wind Response Plan to the Wind Coalition for review and comment in accordance with established review procedures within the TRANSLink Planning Process.

(c) The Wind Coalition shall evaluate and make recommendations to TRANSLink on the Wind Response Plan. TRANSLink shall thereafter implement the Wind Response Plan in a fashion consistent with the Wind Coalition's recommendations to the extent that such recommendations are technically feasible and consistent with good utility practice, electric reliability and security. TRANSLink is not required to implement the Wind Coalition's recommendations where the costs associated with implementing and sustaining such recommendations are not reasonable or where TRANSLink reasonably believes that such costs would not be recoverable in TRANSLink's rates.

5. The Wind Coalition will prepare and submit to TRANSLink list(s) of any transmission-related issues within the TRANSLink footprint that the Wind Coalition believes TRANSLink needs to address to facilitate the development of wind generation (a "Wind Issues

List(s)"). The Wind Issues List(s) need not be prepared and submitted within the context of the TRANSLink Planning Process. The Wind Issues List(s) may recommend transmission solutions or non-transmission solutions (examples of which are listed in paragraph 3 of this Settlement Agreement) to the issues raised. Within 120 days of receiving the Wind Issues List(s), TRANSLink shall evaluate the issues and shall provide the Wind Coalition with a response identifying the actions TRANSLink agrees to implement or alternative solutions TRANSLink proposes to implement to address the issues on the Wind Issues List(s) (a "Wind Issues Response Plan(s)"). The Wind Coalition shall review the Wind Issues Response Plan(s) and make recommendations to TRANSLink. TRANSLink shall thereafter implement the Wind Issues Response Plan(s) in a fashion consistent with the Wind Coalition's recommendations to the extent that such recommendations are technically feasible, consistent with good utility practice, and consistent with electric reliability and security. TRANSLink is not required to implement the Wind Coalition's recommendations where the costs associated with implementing and sustaining such recommendations are unreasonable or where TRANSLink reasonably believes that such costs would not be recoverable in TRANSLink's rates.

6. TRANSLink recognizes that the process of obtaining rights-of-way within its footprint has the potential to generate significant public controversy. TRANSLink shall work with the Wind Coalition to investigate and implement creative solutions or alternatives for the procurement of and landowner compensation for transmission rights of way. To the extent that TRANSLink and the Wind Coalition agree to implement any particular alternative, the Intervenor shall not object to TRANSLink's recovery of associated reasonable costs in TRANSLink's rates.

7. Within 180 days after TRANSLink commences operations, TRANSLink and the Wind Coalition shall jointly identify and evaluate any federal and/or state regulatory impediments to 1) the efficient development and execution of infrastructure development plans necessary to accommodate planned wind generation, and 2) the provision of ancillary services for wind generation facilities. TRANSLink and the Wind Coalition shall thereafter work together with the goal of jointly developing any federal and/or state regulatory filings that may be appropriate and necessary to achieve the elimination or minimization of such regulatory impediments. Any rate schedule amendments to reduce or eliminate such impediments are subject to FERC approval. This paragraph is not intended to limit the Parties' right to express independent views on issues that are or may in the future be pending before any federal and/or state regulatory agency(ies).

8. As a result of the commitments that TRANSLink Development makes in this Settlement Agreement, Intervenors agree that Commission approval of TRANSLink will bring about beneficial opportunities for stakeholder involvement in expanding the transmission infrastructure, operations, and tariffs that support significant wind power expansion in the TRANSLink footprint. Intervenors agree that this Settlement Agreement addresses all of the concerns Intervenors raised in these proceedings, and hereby withdraw their opposition to the Petitions, having no further objections to Commission approval of the Petitions.

9. Intervenors will not propose any conditions to the Commission other than those to which TRANSLink Development has agreed in this Settlement Agreement, nor will Intervenors advocate for any conditions that have been or in the future may be proposed by other parties and commenters in this proceeding, other than those conditions set forth in this Settlement

Agreement. Intervenor may advocate for conditions contained in other Settlement Agreements TRANSLink submits to the Commission in this proceeding.

10. TRANSLink hereby agrees to the MPUC's imposition of the requirements of this Settlement Agreement on TRANSLink as a condition of any order approving the Petitions.

11. Upon TRANSLink's request, Intervenor shall submit to agency(ies) in other states before which application(s) for the transfer of control of transmission facilities to TRANSLink are pending written comments or correspondence expressing their support for such application(s) on the basis of the application's(s') beneficial opportunities for wind power development, so long as TRANSLink agrees to conditions consistent with this Settlement Agreement in such other states. Intervenor shall not be required to make such submissions where they have objections to pending applications on issues that were not implicated by the Petitions in these proceedings.

12. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of TRANSLink Development and Intervenor whether by way of merger, consolidation, operation of law, assignment, purchase or other acquisition. If the proposed transfer of functional control of Xcel Energy's and IPL's transmission facilities to TRANSLink is not effectuated for any reason, this Settlement Agreement shall be of no force and effect.

13. In entering into this Settlement Agreement, the Parties represent that they have relied upon the advice of their attorneys, that each party's attorney is the attorney of the party's own choice, that they have read the terms of this Settlement Agreement, that the terms of this Settlement Agreement have been completely read and explained to them by their attorney, and that the terms are fully understood and voluntarily accepted by them. Each party agrees and

represents that neither party is relying on any representations or statement(s) made by the other party or anyone representing the other party or by any person employed by the other party.

14. It is understood and agreed that all offers of settlement and discussions related thereto are privileged and may not be used in any manner in connection with proceedings in this case or otherwise, except as provided by law. In the event the Commission does not approve this Settlement Agreement, the Settlement Agreement shall not constitute part of the record in this proceeding and no part thereof may be used for any purpose in this proceeding or otherwise. This Settlement Agreement shall not in any respect constitute a determination by the Parties as to the merits of any specific allegations or contentions made by the Parties.

15. This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties pertaining to the resolution of issues in this proceeding and the other matters specified herein, and supersedes and replaces all prior negotiations and proposed agreements, written or oral.

16. Any modification to this Settlement Agreement shall not be binding on the Parties unless consented to in writing by TRANSLink Development and Intervenors.

17. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in counterparts with the same force and effect as if a single original had been executed by the Parties hereto. A facsimile signature will be considered as an original.

TRANSLink Management Development Corp.



by Audrey Zelman, its Chief Executive Officer
for itself on and behalf of its successor
TRANSLink Management Corporation

Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office

by William Grant, its Associate Executive Director

Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy

by Michael Noble, its Executive Director

Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy

by Martha Brand, its Executive Director

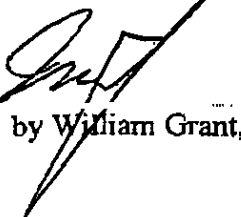
North American Water Office

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ITC Midwest Transmission Project - Information Request #3-4

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: ET6675/CN-12-1053 Request Date: February 18, 2014
OAH Docket No.: 60-2500-30782

Requested From: Elizabeth Goodpaster, MCEA, as attorney for MCEA, WOW, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League.

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for NoCapX 2020 and CETF

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
3.	<p>MCEA, Izaak Walton League, Fresh Energy and WOW have each made transmission a program area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. For each intervenor entity, provide original program description for the organization's transmission activities, including but not limited to interventions in transmission dockets, lobbying on transmission issues, submission of comments in transmission dockets and rulemaking.b. The date program area was established and any subsequent program area descriptions and dates of adoption.c. Identify date Wind on the Wires was formed as program area within Izaak Walton League (see selected pages of WOW & IWLA IRS 990s, attached).d. Identify date when Wind on the Wires was incorporated in Minnesota, when 501(c)(3) status was obtained, and date WOW was formally separated from Izaak Walton League. Was WOW separate entity at time of CapX intervention?
4.	<p>MCEA, Izaak Walton League, Fresh Energy and WOW have intervened jointly and/or individually in a number of transmission dockets in state and federal venues.</p>

- a. Provide a list of all transmission dockets in which they have intervened over the last 20 years, individually and/or jointly, identified by intervening party, state (including but not limited to Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, North Dakota, Iowa, etc.) or federal agency (i.e., FERC), docket number, project name, with link to docket.

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by: _____

List sources of information:

Title: _____

Department: _____

Telephone: _____

Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

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Inspection**A** For the 2004 calendar year, or tax year beginning

and ending

B Check if applicable

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type See Specific Instructions

C Name of organization

IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA, INC.

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

707 CONSERVATION LANE

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878-2983

D Employer identification number

36-1930035

E Telephone number

301-548-0150

F Accounting method☐ Cash☒ Accrual

Other (specify) ▶

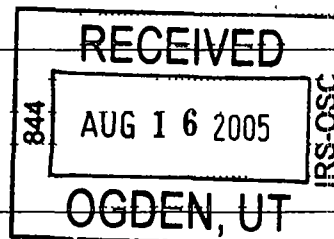
• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

H and **I** are not applicable to section 527 organizations.**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b)** If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ▶**H(c)** Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No (If "No," attach a list)**H(d)** Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? ☐ Yes ☒ No**I** Group Exemption Number ▶**M** Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Sch B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**G** Website: ▶ WWW.IWLA.ORG**J** Organization type (check only one) ☒ 501(c) (3) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**K** Check here ☐ if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS, but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail, it should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.**L** Gross receipts Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ▶

5,397,884.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received							
a Direct public support		1a	3,317,701.				
b Indirect public support		1b	61,426.				
c Government contributions (grants)		1c	35,000.				
d Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ 3,414,127. noncash \$)		1d	3,414,127.				
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)		2	44,093.				
3 Membership dues and assessments		3					
4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments		4	87,531.				
5 Dividends and interest from securities		5					
6 a Gross rents SEE STATEMENT 1		6a	204,481.				
b Less rental expenses SEE STATEMENT 2		6b	152,454.				
c Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)		6c	52,027.				
7 Other investment income (describe ▶)		7					
8 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(A) Securities	1,628,260.	8a			
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		(B) Other	1,609,620.	8b			
c Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)			18,640.	8c			
d Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B)) STMT 3		8d	18,640.				
9 Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>							
a Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1a)		9a					
b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses		9b					
c Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)		9c					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		10a					
b Less cost of goods sold		10b					
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)		10c					
11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)		11	19,392.				
12 Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)		12	3,635,810.				
13 Program services (from line 44, column (B))		13	2,787,822.				
14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C))		14	526,997.				
15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))		15	346,954.				
16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)		16					
17 Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))		17	3,661,773.				
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)		18	<25,963.>				
19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))		19	6,532,576.				
20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) SEE STATEMENT 4		20	266,208.				
21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)		21	6,772,821.				

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LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses

All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others

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Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising	
22	Grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$104,100 - noncash \$)	22 104,100.	104,100.	STATEMENT 11		
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)	23				
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)	24				
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25 236,200.	182,768.		30,191.	23,241.
26	Other salaries and wages	26 1,127,928.	872,772.	144,171.	110,985.	
27	Pension plan contributions	27 85,309.	66,011.	10,904.	8,394.	
28	Other employee benefits	28 411,912.	318,730.	52,651.	40,531.	
29	Payroll taxes	29 128,657.	99,552.	16,445.	12,660.	
30	Professional fundraising fees	30				
31	Accounting fees	31				
32	Legal fees	32				
33	Supplies	33 24,158.	22,531.	1,621.	6.	
34	Telephone	34 34,394.	19,054.	15,271.	69.	
35	Postage and shipping	35 115,961.	84,993.	3,647.	27,321.	
36	Occupancy	36 77,688.	59,568.	12,260.	5,860.	
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	37 120,360.	92,287.	18,994.	9,079.	
38	Printing and publications	38 207,604.	173,149.		34,455.	
39	Travel	39 147,624.	120,998.	24,842.	1,784.	
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40 59,439.	46,908.	8,734.	3,797.	
41	Interest	41				
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42 126,426.	96,938.	19,952.	9,536.	
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize)	43a				
a		43b				
b		43c				
c		43d				
d		43e	654,013.	427,463.	167,314.	59,236.
e	SEE STATEMENT 5	44 3,661,773.	2,787,822.	526,997.	346,954.	
Total functional expenses (add lines 22 through 43) Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15						

Joint Costs. Check ☐ if you are following SOP 98-2

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$

(ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$

(iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$

and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE STATEMENT 6

All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)

Program Service Expenses
(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs. and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others.)

a	SEE STATEMENT 7				
			(Grants and allocations \$)	360,805.
b	SEE STATEMENT 8				
			(Grants and allocations \$)	398,103.
c	SEE STATEMENT 9				
			(Grants and allocations \$)	259,953.
d	SEE STATEMENT 10				
			(Grants and allocations \$)	287,412.
e	Other program services (attach schedule)	STATEMENT 12	(Grants and allocations \$	104,100.)	1,481,549.
f	Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)				2,787,822.

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SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

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Name of the organization

IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number

36 1930035

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 1 of the instructions List each one If there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
MICHAEL LYNCH ----- GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	DIR FINANCE 37.5	66,400.	8,746.	0.
ANNE F. MACGLASHAN ----- GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	DIR RESOURCES 37.5	77,800.	8,522.	0.
ELIZABETH H. SOHOLT ----- GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	DIR OF COMM 37.5	68,300.	8,414.	0.
EARL HOWER ----- GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	DIR OF MEMB. 37.5	57,700.	8,211.	0.
G.J. THOMAS SADLER, JR. ----- GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	ASSC DIR CONS 37.5	74,000.	9,188.	0.
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000	▶ 4			

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
MATTHEW J. SCHUERGER ----- ST. PAUL, MN 55116	CONSULTING	81,039.
KURT WALTZER ----- COLUMBUS, OH 43202	CONSULTING	51,001.
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Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services	▶ 0	

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 7

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE ONE

WIND ON THE WIRES IS DEDICATED TO OVERCOMING TECHNICAL, REGULATORY AND EDUCATIONAL BARRIERS TO MOVING WIND POWER TO MARKET IN UPPER MIDWEST. WIND ON THE WIRES IS FOCUSING ON TECHNICAL WORK TO ADDRESS UPGRADES AND NEW TRANSMISSION LINES FOR WIND POWER, AND IS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE SETTING THE NEW "RULES OF THE ROAD" FOR THE ELECTRIC INDUSTRY, AND IS WORKING TO EDUCATE COLLEAGUE ORGANIZATIONS AND LOCAL REGIONAL DECISION-MAKERS ON THE BENEFITS OF DEVELOPING WIND POWER.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE A		360,805.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 8


DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE TWO

GENERAL CONSERVATION - THE CONSERVATION PROGRAM ADVANCES THE LEAGUE'S CONSERVATION POLICY AGENDA, ESTABLISHED BY ITS MEMBERS, BY PROVIDING BACKGROUND INFORMATION TO CONGRESS AND OTHER INFLUENTIAL PARTIES, KEEPING ITS MEMBERS INFORMED ABOUT FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY ISSUES AFFECTING NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT IMPORTANT NATIONAL CONSERVATION ISSUES, AND GIVING ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS AND CHAPTERS ON THEIR CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES AS REQUESTED.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE B		398,103.

FORM 990 PART V - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES STATEMENT 21

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN- SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
PAUL HANSEN GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 37.5	143,500.	13,473.	0.
WILLIAM GRANT GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	ASSOC EXEC DIR 37.5	92,700.	10,749.	0.
CHUCK CLAYTON GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	PRESIDENT 12	0.	0.	0.
TIM REID GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	VICE PRESIDENT 8	0.	0.	0.
BILL WEST GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	TREASURER 6	0.	0.	0.
RAY KOFFLER GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	SECRETARY 10	0.	0.	0.
CHARLOTTE BROOKER GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	BOARD MEMBER 15	0.	0.	0.
JAMES MADSEN GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	CHAIRMAN 11	0.	0.	0.
MIKE CHENOWETH GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	BOARD MEMBER 15	0.	0.	0.
STAN ADAMS GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	BOARD MEMBER 13	0.	0.	0.
WILLIAM KLING GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	VICE CHAIRMAN 4	0.	0.	0.

Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)	OMB No 1545-0047 2008 Open to Public Inspection
	The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements	






A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2008 and ending 12-31-2008		C Name of organization IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA INC		D Employer identification number 36-1930035	
B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		Doing Business As		E Telephone number (301) 548-0150	
Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 707 CONSERVATION LANE		G Gross receipts \$ 6,449,660	
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 GAITHERSBURG, MD 208782983			
		F Name and address of Principal Officer DAVID HOSKINS 707 CONSERVATION LANE gaithersburg, MD 20878		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (3) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527				H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If "No," attach a list See instructions)	
J Web site: WWW IWLA ORG				H(c) Group Exemption Number	
K Type of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> trust <input type="checkbox"/> association <input type="checkbox"/> other		L Year of Formation 1922		M State of legal domicile IL	

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities to conserve, maintain, protect, and restore the soil, forest, water and other natural resources of the United States and other lands, to promote means and opportunities for the education of the public with respect to such resources and their enjoyment and wholesome utilization		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	<u>15</u>
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	<u>15</u>
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	<u>35</u>
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	<u>2</u>
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C) . . .	7a	<u>22,771</u>
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 . . .	7b	<u>0</u>
Revenue			Prior Year	Current Year
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	3,602,447	3,512,705
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	67,482	19,269
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	359,880	-292,861
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	68,717	140,185
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	4,098,526	3,379,298
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	5,000	5,000
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	1,980,111	1,986,982
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b	(Total fundraising expenses, Part IX, column (D), line 25 <u>232,479</u>)		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	1,978,445	1,780,433
	18	Total expenses—add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, line 25, column (A))	3,963,556	3,772,415
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	134,970	-393,117
			Beginning of Year	End of Year
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	7,962,657	6,676,930
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,187,779	1,164,982
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	6,774,878	5,511,948

Part II Signature Block

Please Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge	
	*****	2009-11-16
	Signature of officer	Date
	DAVID HOSKINS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature  Bill Turco	Date	Check if self-employed 	Preparer's PTIN (See Gen Inst)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4  RSM MCGLADREY INC 9737 WASHINGTONIAN BLVD 400 GAITHERSBURG, MD 208787340			EIN 
				Phone no  (301) 296-3600

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission

See Additional Data Table

2

Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If “Yes,” describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting or make significant changes in how it conducts any program services?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If “Yes,” describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization’s three largest program services by expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a

(Code) (Expenses \$ 543,306 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

WIND ON THE WIRES Wind on the Wires is dedicated to overcoming the technical, regulatory and education/outreach barriers to moving wind power to market in the Midwest Wind on the Wires focuses on technical work to identify additional transmission infrastructure needed to deliver clean, affordable wind power to market and to meet state, regional and national renewable energy goals and standards Wind on the Wires is an active participant in the stakeholder processes at the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator - the entity that determines the transmission planning, energy market and operational rules that govern the regional organization Wind on the Wires is working with state and regional decision-makers to determine equitable cost allocation for the new transmission infrastructure and to reliably integrate significant amounts of wind power into the electric grid Wind on the Wires educates NGO colleague organizations, key decision-makers, and a variety of other stakeholders on the need for additional transmission infrastructure to meet renewable energy standards

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ 417,323 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

ENERGY 1 Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group Several League staff participated in a year-long process established by Minnesota's Governor to recommend strategies for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in all sectors of the state's economy In April, the group's final recommendations were released with over 50 recommended policies and programs for consideration by the Governor and legislature League staff has taken the lead in promoting many of these recommendations If adopted, such programs will improve air quality, lower energy bills, and prevent the most serious impacts from global warming from occurring 2 Midwest Governors Association League Associate Executive Director Bill Grant was appointed by Minnesota's Governor Pawlenty to serve on a regional group charged with devising a cap and trade system for reducing greenhouse gases The group's work will wrap up in early 2009 with recommendations for a six-state system designed to reduce greenhouse gases 80% by 2050 Such reductions are consistent with the growing scientific consensus of reductions needed to avoid the most serious impacts from global warming 3 State Climate Change and Wildlife Reports In March, the League issued reports on the impacts of climate change on wildlife in five states Colorado, Maryland, Minnesota, New York and South Dakota The reports document the threats to game and other wildlife already occurring and the much greater damage possible if climate change is not adequately addressed Copies of the report and presentations on the findings have been distributed to conservation groups, policy makers and the general public

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ 332,449 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

membership the league's membership program supports the voluntary work of our 36,000 volunteers in 290 chapterS and divisions through recognition and awards programs, data management and renewal services, the national directory and other "how to" chapter publications

(Code) (Expenses \$ 1,554,686 including grants of \$ 5,000) (Revenue \$)

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses \$ 2,847,764 Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).

Section A Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee or key employee

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Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2009

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A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning		and ending	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA, INC.	
		Doing Business As	
		Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 707 CONSERVATION LANE	
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878	
		F Name and address of principal officer: DAVID HOSKINS SAME AS C ABOVE	
		D Employer identification number 36-1930035	
		E Telephone number 301-548-0150	
		G Gross receipts \$ 4,958,975.	
		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶	
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (3) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
J Website: ▶ WWW.IWLA.ORG			
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation: 1922 M State of legal domicile: IL	

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: CONSERVE, PROTECT AND RESTORE THE SOIL, FOREST, WATER AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE US.		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	16
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	16
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	31
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	2
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	610.
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	-7,330.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 3,512,705.	Current Year 3,803,150.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	19,269.	11,590.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	-292,861.	39,132.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	140,185.	175,365.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,379,298.	4,029,237.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	5,000.	30,000.
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	1,986,982.	2,052,108.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 263,461.		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	1,780,433.	1,596,721.
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,772,415.	3,678,829.	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-393,117.	350,408.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 6,676,930.	End of Year 7,386,219.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,164,982.	760,541.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	5,511,948.	6,625,678.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
Sign Here	▶	Signature of officer	Date
	▶	DAVID HOSKINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
		Type or print name and title	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature ▶	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)	
	RAFFA, PC 1899 L STREET NW, SUITE 900 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	EIN ▶ 202-822-5000	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: SEE SCHEDULE O FOR CONTINUATION TO CONSERVE, MAINTAIN, PROTECT AND RESTORE THE SOIL, FOREST, WATER AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE US AND OTHER LANDS; TO PROMOTE MEANS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC WITH RESPECT TO SUCH RESOURCES AND THEIR ENJOYMENT AND WHOLESOME UTILIZATION; TO CARRY OUT

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

SEE SCHEDULE O FOR CONTINUATION(S)

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 610,281. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
WIND ON THE WIRES: DURING 2009, WIND ON THE WIRES CRAFTED AND ADVOCATED FOR POLICIES TO ADVANCE THE DEPLOYMENT OF WIND POWER IN THE MIDWEST TO MEET STATE, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD OBJECTIVES AND GOALS AND DECREASE THE OUTPUT FROM CARBON-INTENSIVE POWER PLANTS. WOW PARTICIPATED IN TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES, REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS, AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARKET RULES TO INTEGRATE WIND POWER INTO THE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, DISCUSSIONS ON COST ALLOCATION FOR NEW TRANSMISSION LINES, AND ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER PROCEEDINGS. WOW EDUCATED COLLEAGUE ORGANIZATIONS, KEY DECISION-MAKERS, THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF WIND POWER AND TRANSMISSION LINE ISSUES AND ADVOCATED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE TO DELIVER WIND POWER TO MARKET.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 440,616. including grants of \$ 25,000.) (Revenue \$)
ENERGY: THE ENERGY PROGRAM WORKED CLOSELY WITH A BROAD CROSS-SECTION OF CONSERVATION AND HUNTER AND ANGLER GROUPS TO ADVANCE COMPREHENSIVE CLIMATE CHANGE LEGISLATION IN BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS AND TO ENSURE THAT IT INCLUDES DEDICATED FUNDING TO HELP FISH AND WILDLIFE WEATHER THE COMING CHANGES. WE SUPPORTED THE U.S. EPA'S EFFORTS TO ADOPT CLIMATE POLICIES IN ACCORD WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT. FOLLOWING THE LEAGUE'S SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO PREVENT CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW, LARGE COAL-FIRED POWER PLANT IN SOUTH DAKOTA, WE FOCUSED OUR EFFORTS ON OLDER, LESS EFFICIENT COAL PLANTS IN MINNESOTA AND THE DAKOTAS. WE ALSO WORKED CLOSELY WITH MINNESOTA'S LARGEST NATURAL GAS UTILITY IN SUPPORT OF A PLAN TO SEPARATE ENERGY SALES FROM THE CALCULATION OF UTILITY PROFITS. IN DECEMBER, THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 396,365. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
CONSERVATION: THE CONSERVATION PROGRAM, IN CONCERT WITH OTHER PROGRAMS FOCUSING ON ENERGY, AGRICULTURE, CLEAN WATER, PUBLIC LANDS AND SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION, ADVANCES THE ORGANIZATION'S CORE MISSION TO CONSERVE NATURAL RESOURCES FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. THE PROGRAM'S PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO EDUCATE LEAGUE MEMBERS, THE GENERAL PUBLIC, AND POLICYMAKERS AT THE STATE, REGIONAL AND FEDERAL LEVELS ABOUT CONSERVATION ISSUES AND TO MOBILIZE OUR MEMBERS TO IMPACT PUBLIC POLICY AT EACH OF THESE LEVELS. IN 2009, THE CONSERVATION PROGRAM ADVOCATED FOR FEDERAL FUNDING FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE AS PART OF COMPREHENSIVE CLIMATE AND ENERGY LEGISLATION AND FOR PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION TO RESTORE CLEAN WATER ACT PROTECTIONS FOR STREAMS, LAKES AND WETLANDS. CONSERVATION STAFF ALSO PROVIDED ADVOCACY AND

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ 1,375,285. including grants of \$ 5,000.) (Revenue \$ 10,337.)

4e Total program service expenses \$ 2,822,547.

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors
Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

• List all of the organization's current officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

• List all of the organization's current key employees. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

• List the organization's five current highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's former officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's former directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
MIKE WILLIAMS PRESIDENT	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
JIM MADSEN VICE PRESIDENT	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
ROGER SEARS CHAIRMAN	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
SHAWN GALLAGHER VICE CHAIRMAN	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
ROBERT CHAPMAN SECRETARY	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
WALTER LYNN JR. TREASURER	4.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
W. CAREY CRANE, III BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
CHARLES HIGDON BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
MARSHA JOHNSON BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
DONALD L. KLECKER BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
GARY R. MEADE BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
DAWN A. OLSON BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
TIMOTHY W. REID BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
GARRIT S. STRUCK BOARD MEMBER	5.00	X						0.	0.	0.
JIM P. SWEENEY BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
NED TILLMAN BOARD MEMBER	4.00	X						0.	0.	0.
DAVID HOSKINS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	50.00			X				150,900.	0.	5,180.

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
MICHAEL N. LYNCH DIRECTOR OF FINANCE	45.00			X				77,073.	0.	13,079.
WILLIAM B. GRANT ASSOCIATE E.D.	50.00				X			110,500.	0.	14,871.
1b Total								338,473.	0.	33,130.

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **2**

- 3** Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		X
4	X	
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

- 1** Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
CULLEN, WESTON, P. & BACH LLP, 122 WEST WASH. AVE., STE 990, MADISON, WI 53703	LOBBYING AND LEGAL ISSUES	102,000.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **1**

Form 990 (2009)

INITIAL RETURN

Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning**and ending****B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☒ Initial return
☐ Terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type.

See Specific Instructions

C Name of organization**WIND ON THE WIRES**

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
1619 DAYTON AVENUE 203

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

ST. PAUL, MN 55104-6206**F Name and address of principal officer: BETH SOHOLT
SAME AS C ABOVE****D Employer identification number****06-1670689****E Telephone number****651-644-3400****G Gross receipts \$ 706,545.****H(a) Is this a group return**

for affiliates?

☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b) Are all affiliates included?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶**I Tax-exempt status:** ☒ 501(c) (3) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**J Website:** **WWW.WINDONTHEWIRES.ORG****K Form of organization:** ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L Year of formation: 2002 M State of legal domicile: MN****Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance		Revenue		Expenses		Net Assets or Fund Balances	
1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: WORKING TO OVERCOME THE BARRIERS TO BRINGING WIND POWER TO THE MARKET IN THE MIDWEST BY ADDRESSING *							
2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.							
3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	14				
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	14				
5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	0				
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0				
7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.				
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.				
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)			Prior Year	Current Year		
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)				706,500.		
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)				45.		
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6c, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)						
12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)				706,545.		
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)						
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)						
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)						
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)						
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶						
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)				3.		
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)				3.		
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12				706,542.		
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)			Beginning of Current Year	End of Year		
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)				1,130,084.		
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20				100.		
					1,129,984.		

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Type or print name and title

Date

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

Linda M. Nelson, CPA
LINDA M. NELSON
OLSEN THIELEN & CO., LTD
2675 LONG LAKE ROAD
ST. PAUL, MN 55113

Date

11/11/2010

Check if self-employed ☐

Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)

EIN ▶

Phone no. ▶ 651-483-4521

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes ☐ No

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* SEE SCHEDULE O FOR ORGANIZATION MISSION STATEMENT CONTINUATION

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

WIND ON THE WIRES WORKS TO OVERCOME THE BARRIERS TO BRINGING WINDPOWER TO THE MARKET IN THE MIDWEST BY ADDRESSING TECHNICAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES THROUGH EDUCATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses.

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)
 DURING 2009, WIND ON THE WIRES CRAFTED AND ADVOCATED FOR POLICIES TO ADVANCE THE DEPLOYMENT OF WIND POWER IN THE MIDWEST TO MEET STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD OBJECTIVES AND GOALS AND DECREASE THE OUTPUT FROM CARBON-INTENSIVE POWER PLANTS. WOW PARTICIPATED IN TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES, REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS, AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARKET RULES TO INTEGRATE WIND POWER INTO THE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, DISCUSSIONS ON COST ALLOCATION FOR NEW TRANSMISSION LINES, AND ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER PROCEEDINGS. WOW EDUCATED COLLEAGUE ORGANIZATIONS, KEY DECISION MAKERS, THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF WIND POWER AND TRANSMISSION LINE ISSUES AND ADVOCATED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE TO DELIVER WIND POWER TO MARKET.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ► \$

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☒ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
JOE DEVITO CHAIRMAN	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
REBECCA STANFIELD VICE CHAIRMAN	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
KEVIN LYNCH TREASURER	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
HAP BOYD DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
TOM FEILER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
RICK FREE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
BERT GARVIN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
BOB GOUGH DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
ROB GRAMLICH DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
IAN KRYGOWSKI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
HOWARD LEARNER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
MICHAEL NOBLE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
MICHAEL VICKERMAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
BRIAN LAMMERS DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
BETH SOHOLT PRESIDENT/EXEC. DIRECTOR	40.00			X				0.	0.	0.

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	706,545.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	706,542.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	423,442.
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	9	423,442.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	1,129,984.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

PART XI, LINE 8 - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:**CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION FROM IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA**

(EIN: 36-1930035) - SEE SCHEDULE O FOR EXPLANATION. 423442.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

WIND ON THE WIRES

Employer identification number
06-1670689

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

TECHNICAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES THROUGH EDUCATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

**FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11: FORM 990 WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE
ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: A WRITTEN CONFLICT OF INTEREST
POLICY WAS ADOPTED BY THE ORGANIZATION ON 09/18/2008. THE POLICY IS FOR
ALL DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION. IT OUTLINES
AREAS IN WHICH A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MAY ARISE, THE NATURE OF POTENTIAL
CONFLICTS, DISCLOSURE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR MANAGING CONFLICTS. ALL
MATTERS RELATING TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MUST BE DOCUMENTED IN THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A: COMPENSATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER IS DISCUSSED AND SET BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

**FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS
GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON WRITTEN REQUEST.**

**WIND ON THE WIRES (WOW) BEGAN AS A "PROJECT" OF THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE
OF AMERICA (IWLA) IN MAY 2001. AT THE TIME, THE ORGANIZATION WAS
ESTABLISHED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE TAX EXEMPT PURPOSE OF IWLA. ALL OF
WOW'S ACTIVITIES WERE REPORTED ON IWLA'S FORM 990 EACH YEAR. DURING**

2009, WOW APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED ITS OWN 501(C)(3) STATUS, AND BEGAN

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TO OPERATE AS A STAND ALONE ORGANIZATION. 2009 WAS A TRANSITION YEAR,
WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE ACTIVITY WAS PART OF IWLA, WHILE THE NEW
ORGANIZATION ALSO STARTED RECEIVING CONTRIBUTIONS. THE \$423,442
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION TO WIND ON THE WIRES IS THE IWLA'S "PROJECT" NET
ASSETS AT THE END OF 2009.

Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation) The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements	OMB No 1545-0047 2010 Open to Public Inspection
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A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2010 and ending 12-31-2010		
B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization WIND ON THE WIRES Doing Business As Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1619 DAYTON AVENUE NO 203 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 ST PAUL, MN 551046206	D Employer identification number 06-1670689 E Telephone number (651) 644-3400 G Gross receipts \$ 1,078,398
	F Name and address of principal officer BETH SOHOLT 1619 DAYTON AVENUE NO 203 ST PAUL, MN 551046206	H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
	I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀(insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	
	J Website: ▶ WWW.WINDONTHEWIRES.ORG	
	K Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶	
L Year of formation 2002		M State of legal domicile MN

Part I		Summary	
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities WORKING TO OVERCOME THE BARRIERS TO BRINGING WIND POWER TO THE MARKET IN THE MIDWEST BY ADDRESSING TECHNICAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES THROUGH EDUCATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH 		
	2 Check this box <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	15
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	14
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)	5	5
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	706,500	1,068,550
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	45	2,348
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	0	7,500
		706,545	1,078,398
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	0
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	0	494,450
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <input type="text" value="0"/>		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)		
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3	453,951
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	3	948,401
Net Assets or Fund Balances		706,542	129,997
		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	1,130,084	1,324,962
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	100	64,981
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,129,984	1,259,981	

Part II	Signature Block
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.	

Sign Here		***** Signature of officer	2011-11-14 Date		
		BETH SOHOLT PRESIDENT, CEO Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name LINDA M NELSON	Preparer's signature LINDA M NELSON	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶ OLSEN THIELEN & CO LTD				Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶ 2675 LONG LAKE ROAD ST PAUL, MN 55113				Phone no ▶ (651) 483-4521

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission

WIND ON THE WIRES (WOW) WORKS TO OVERCOME THE BARRIERS TO BRINGING WIND ENERGY TO MARKET IN THE MIDWEST BY ADDRESSING TECHNICAL, PUBLIC POLICY AND REGULATORY ISSUES DURING 2010, WOW DRAFTED AND ADVOCATED FOR POLICIES TO ADVANCE THE USE OF WIND POWER IN THE MIDWEST TO MEET STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD OBJECTIVES AND GOALS, AS WELL AS TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY INTEGRATED INTO THE ELECTRIC GRID

2

Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

If “Yes,” describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

If “Yes,” describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization’s three largest program services by expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a

(Code) (Expenses \$ 403,923 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

EDUCATION - WOW EDUCATED NGO COLLEAGUE ORGANIZATIONS, KEY DECISION MAKERS SUCH AS GOVERNORS, STATE REGULATORS AND LEGISLATORS, THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF WIND POWER AND TRANSMISSION LINE ISSUES AND ADVOCATED FOR NEW TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE TO DELIVER WIND ENERGY TO MARKET SPECIFICALLY WOW - SECURED SUPPORT OF STATE REGULATORS FOR THE MIDWEST INDEPENDENT TRANSMISSION SYSTEM OPERATOR (MISO) MULTI-VALUE PROJECT (MVP) COST ALLOCATION PLAN - PARTNERED WITH THE MIDWESTERN GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION TO KEEP WIND AND CLEAN ENERGY MARKETS A PRIORITY IN THE MIDWEST - PROVIDED INFORMATION TO REGULATORS, LEGISLATORS, NGO COLLEAGUES, AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ON THE COST OF WIND, WIND INTEGRATION ISSUES, THE ELECTRIC GRID, BEST PRACTICES IN WIND SITING, AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO STATES AND THE REGION FROM WIND AND TRANSMISSION DEVELOPMENT - ADVOCATED IN SEVERAL MIDWEST STATES FOR POLICIES TO ADVANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF ROBUST AMOUNTS OF WIND ENERGY - WORKED CLOSELY WITH KEY NGO PARTNERS IN THE REGION TO START PAVING THE WAY FOR APPROVAL OF NEW TRANSMISSION LINES IN SEVERAL STATES

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ 232,277 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 7,500)

TECHNICAL - WOW PARTICIPATED IN TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES, DISCUSSIONS ON COST ALLOCATION FOR NEW TRANSMISSION LINES, DEVELOPMENT OF MARKET RULES TO INTEGRATE WIND POWER INTO THE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, AND ANALYSIS OF INTEGRATED SYSTEM OPERATIONS WITH HIGHER AMOUNTS OF RENEWABLE ENERGY DURING 2010, KEY TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES FOR WOW INCLUDED - MISO REGIONAL GENERATOR OUTLET STUDY (RGOS) RGOS WAS A MULTI-YEAR STUDY FOCUSED ON THE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP TRANSMISSION PORTFOLIOS THAT WILL FULFILL RES REQUIREMENTS IN THE MIDWEST AND ACHIEVE THE LOWEST COST PER-MWH THE STUDY PROVIDES A FIRM TECHNICAL FOUNDATION FOR ONGOING DISCUSSIONS AROUND WHEN, WHERE, AND HOW TO BUILD NEW CLEAN ENERGY TRANSMISSION FOR THE MIDWEST - PARTICIPATION IN MISO COMMITTEES SUCH AS THE MARKET SUBCOMMITTEE, RELIABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE, INTERCONNECTION PROCESS TASK FORCE, AND THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE - EASTERN INTERCONNECTION PLANNING COLLABORATIVE (EIPC) - WOW PROVIDED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE NGO CAUCUS AND SERVED ON THE EIPC STAKEHOLDER STEERING COMMITTEE REPRESENTING THE NGO SECTOR

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ 193,774 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

REGULATORY - WOW PARTICIPATED IN MANY STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS TO ENSURE TIMELY AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS AND OTHER PUBLIC POLICIES TO ADVANCE THE DEPLOYMENT OF CLEAN ENERGY IN THE MIDWEST SPECIFICALLY, WOW - ACHIEVED BROAD COST ALLOCATION FOR NEW TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE FROM MISO AND THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC) - CRAFTED AND FILED COMMENTS IN SEVERAL STATE AND FEDERAL (FERC) DOCKETS, INCLUDING UTILITY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANS, RES IMPLEMENTATION DOCKETS, AND MISO TARIFF AND COMPLIANCE FILINGS

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses

\$ 829,974

Affidavit of Overland

Exhibit A

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Part VII

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JOE DEVITO CHAIRMAN	2.00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) REBECCA STANFIELD VICE CHAIRMAN	2.00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) KATIE ROEK SECRETARY	2.00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) BRIAN LAMMERS TREASURER	2.00	X		X				0	0	0
(5) SETH DUNN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(6) TOM FEILER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(7) RICHARD FREE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(8) BOB GOUGH DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(9) KEVIN LYNCH DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(10) IAN KRYGOWSKI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(11) JOHN MOORE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(12) MICHAEL NOBLE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(13) ADAM SERCHUK DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(14) SUSAN WILLIAM SLOAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(15) MICHAEL VICKERMAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(16) ELIZABETH SOHOLT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00			X				145,000	0	16,636

Part VII

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization: 2

Section B. Independent Contractors

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Part IX

Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	161,636	138,478	23,158	
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	279,008	238,066	40,942	
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits	22,843	20,261	2,582	
10	Payroll taxes	30,963	26,504	4,459	
a	Fees for services (non-employees)				
	Management				
b	Legal	100,844	95,398	5,446	
c	Accounting	12,880		12,880	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	25,497	16,704	8,793	
12	Advertising and promotion	1,355		1,355	
13	Office expenses	28,663	20,165	8,498	
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	21,601	18,361	3,240	
17	Travel	44,291	44,291		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	5,896	4,717	1,179	
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	576		576	
23	Insurance	3,690		3,690	
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O)				
a	CONTRACT SERVICES	206,527	206,527		
b	MISCELLANEOUS	1,023		1,023	
c	DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	606		606	
d	EDUCATION AND TRAINING	502	502		
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	948,401	829,974	118,427	0
26	Joint costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X

Balance Sheet

					(A)		(B)
					Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			201,524	1	1,138,041
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments				2	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			505,000	3	175,000
	4	Accounts receivable, net			423,442	4	1,500
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L				5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers, and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Schedule L				6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net				7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use				8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			118	9	9,270
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	1,727			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	576	0	10c	1,151
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities				11	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11				12	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11				13	
	14	Intangible assets				14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11				15	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)			1,130,084	16	1,324,962	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			100	17	64,981
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue				19	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities				20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D				21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L				22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties				23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties				24	
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D				25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			100	26	64,981
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets			1,129,984	27	879,981
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets				28	380,000
	29	Permanently restricted net assets				29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.						
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds				30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund				31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds				32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances			1,129,984	33	1,259,981
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			1,130,084	34	1,324,962

Part XI **Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,078,398
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	948,401
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	129,997
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	1,129,984
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	0
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	1,259,981

Part XII **Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII ☐

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
c	If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O		No
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Part II **Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) ELIZABETH SOHOLT	(i) (ii)	145,000 0	0 0	0 0	8,700 0	7,936 0	161,636 0	0 0
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ITC Midwest Transmission Project - Information Request #5

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: ET6675/CN-12-1053 Request Date: February 18, 2014
OAH Docket No.: 60-2500-30782

Requested From: Elizabeth Goodpaster, MCEA, as attorney for MCEA, WOW, Fresh Energy,
and Izaak Walton League.

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for NoCapX 2020 and CETF

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
5.	<p>Wind on the Wires has participated in Comments recommending transmission in Minnesota and Iowa similar to that proposed in this docket as a DOE National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor (Comment attached, see map at end).</p> <p>a. Provide copies of any and all Comments, letters, and/or testimony of Wind on the Wires and/or MCEA, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League requesting, recommending, promoting, or advocating for a DOE NIETC transmission corridor in Minnesota.</p> <p>b. Identify any and all contractual requirements, parameters, and/or limits, and the source of such contractual requirements, parameters, and/or limits, for filing of Comments proposing and/or promoting a DOE NIETC in Minnesota.</p>

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by:	_____	List sources of information:	_____
Title:	_____		_____
Department:	_____		_____
Telephone:	_____		_____

March 6, 2006

Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, OE-20,
Attention: EPAAct 1221 Comments
U.S. Department of Energy
Forestall Building, Room 6H-050
1000 Independence Avenue, SW.
Washington, DC 20585

Re: Comments of the American Wind Energy Association, Wind on the Wires, Interwest Energy Alliance, The Wind Coalition, the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies, and The Renewable Northwest Project on the Department of Energy's "Considerations for transmission congestion study and designation of National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors"

The American Wind Energy Association (AWEA), Wind on the Wires (WOW), Interwest Energy Alliance, The Wind Coalition, the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies, and The Renewable Northwest Project appreciate this opportunity to respond to the Department of Energy's Notice of Inquiry¹ concerning its plans for a congestion study and possible designation of National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors (NIETCs). We believe that with high and volatile fuel prices, climate change and air quality concerns, water conservation needs, and threats to security from importing fuel, our Nation's vast resources of wind in the middle of the country can and should be tapped. As President Bush stated recently on his Advanced Energy Initiative tour, "areas with good wind resources have the potential to supply up to 20 percent of the electricity consumption of the United States." In this comment we address the proposed criteria for corridors in response to questions in the Department's inquiry, describe studies to add to the list of relevant studies in Appendix A of the notice, and identify specific corridors from the set of relevant studies that we believe will qualify as NIETCs.

I. WHO WE ARE

AWEA is a national trade association representing a broad range of entities with a common interest in encouraging the expansion and facilitation of wind energy resources in the United States. AWEA's 780 members include wind turbine manufacturers, component suppliers, project developers, project owners and operators, financiers, researchers, renewable energy supporters, utilities, marketers, customers and their advocates. Many of AWEA's members are interested in developing wind projects in wind-rich areas but are currently prohibited from doing so because of a lack of transmission.

Wind on the Wires works on solving the technical (transmission) and regulatory barriers to interconnecting and delivering new wind power to market in the Upper Midwest. WOW

¹ Department of Energy, Considerations for Transmission Congestion Study and Designation of National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors, Federal Register notice Vol. 71, No. 22, February 2, 2006, page 5660.

members include nationally prominent wind developers and wind turbine manufacturers, AWEA, non-profit sustainable energy advocacy organizations, and other stakeholders. WOW has been actively involved in transmission planning with utilities and the Midwest Independent System Operator since 2001. WOW members have a substantial interest in the resolution and advancement of the issues in DOE's Notice of Inquiry.

The Renewable Northwest Project is a non-profit renewable energy advocacy organization whose members include environmental and consumer groups, and energy companies. RNP works in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana to increase the development of clean renewable energy resources.

West Wind Wires is a wind industry advocacy program under the auspices of Western Resource Advocates that represents wind in transmission planning and operational forums throughout the Western Electricity Coordinating Council region.

The Wind Coalition is a non-profit corporation advocating for the expansion of wind energy use in Texas and the Southwest Power Pool. The Wind Coalition's members are: AES; Babcock & Brown, LP; Gamesa Energia Southwest; GE Energy, LLC; Horizon Wind Energy; PPM Energy; Renewable Energy Systems (USA); Siemens; Superior Renewable Energy; Trinity Structural Towers, Inc.; Vestas-Americas, Inc.; Environmental Defense; Public Citizen; Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association; and AWEA.

The Interwest Energy Alliance is a trade association that brings the nation's wind energy industry together with the West's advocacy community. The Alliance's members support state-level public policies that harness the West's abundant renewable energy and energy efficiency resources in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.

The Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies is a not for profit public-benefit organization founded in 1990 in Sacramento. CEERT's board and host of affiliates is comprised of concerned scientists, environmentalists, public interest advocates and individuals involved in developing innovative energy technologies that share a vision to benefit the environment with sustainable solutions to California's growing appetite for energy.

II. A "CORRIDOR" SHOULD BE BROADLY DEFINED

The first question raised in the notice is essentially "what is a corridor?" AWEA agrees with the Department that corridors should be identified as "generalized electricity paths between two (or more) locations, as opposed to specific routes for transmission facilities."² We believe this generalized approach is consistent with standard transmission planning practice and with the intent of the law. The approach avoids the obviously unworkable approach of finding that a specific route is of national interest while other routes connecting two areas are not. Congress and the Administration presumably chose the term "corridor" over other terms like "route" for a reason and we believe it was with this consideration in mind.

² DOE Federal Register notice, page 5661.

Specifically we believe that a corridor should be defined as follows: “a corridor connects two geographic areas, defined as utility service territories, control areas, resource production areas, or points on the electric transmission system which are separated by transmission limitations.”

III. CRITERIA FOR CORRIDOR IDENTIFICATION

AWEA generally supports the proposed criteria but respectfully submits that they do not sufficiently address the criteria required by EPCRA §1221. We suggest specific modifications below. We do not advocate wind-specific provisions but rather generally applicable provisions that we believe are required by the law.

Draft Criterion 1: Action is needed to maintain high reliability.

AWEA supports this criterion and notes that there are reliability benefits of accessing wind generators. The smaller unit sizes of individual wind turbines make them more reliable than a single large generator. Many types of failures can and do take large generators off line. Aggregations of wind machines do not suffer from a similar vulnerability. Reliability is composed of security and adequacy. Transmission corridors that access generation fueled by domestic resources, especially domestic renewable resources, should be recognized as improving both security and adequacy and enhancing the reliability of the overall power system. We suggest adding the following provision: “an area that would lead to supply from greater numbers of geographically dispersed small generating units that are less vulnerable to large sudden outages due to plant failure, natural disasters or malicious acts than large generating stations.”

Draft Criterion 2: Action is needed to achieve economic benefits for consumers.

AWEA supports this criterion as far as it goes. However it does not address the statement in EPCRA § (B)(i) that “economic growth in the corridor, or the end markets served by the corridor, may be jeopardized by reliance on limited sources of energy.” Economic growth can be enhanced by the rural economic development associated with wind farms in the many regions of the country. We suggest the following clarification: “an area that promotes rural economic development through generation development in rural areas such as on farms and ranches.” This provision of the act should be included in Criterion 2 or as an additional criterion.

Draft Criterion 3: Actions are needed to ease electricity supply limitations in end markets served by a corridor, and diversify sources.

We suggest that this criterion be clarified to specifically state that supply diversification both at the local level (power used to serve load in a particular area) and national level are covered by the criterion. In other words, a corridor to an area that would increase national consumption of wind even if the particular state or region already has significant wind usage, would qualify given the low percentage of wind currently in the national electricity portfolio. We note that the criterion as written does not address the criterion in EPCRA (B)(ii), “a diversification of supply is warranted.” Supply diversification should be clarified in this criterion or added as another criterion.

Draft Criterion 4: Targeted actions in the area would enhance the energy independence of the United States.

AWEA supports this provision and finds it to be consistent with EPAAct criterion (C), “the energy independence of the United States would be served by the designation.” We agree with the specific metrics of fuel diversity, improved domestic fuel independence, and reduced dependence on energy imports.

Draft Criterion 5: Targeted actions in the area would further national energy policy.

We support this criterion and find it to be consistent with EPAAct criterion (D) “the designation would be in the interest of national energy policy.” However we note that the notice provides no clarifying language or metrics for this criterion unlike all of the other criteria. The Department should not and cannot shy away from implementing this provision of the law.

Metrics for this criterion should be based on the Advanced Energy Initiative in the President’s State of the Union speech,³ the Western Governors Association’s (WGA) unanimous clean energy resolution,⁴ the Midwestern Governors’ Association (MGA) Regional Electric Transmission Protocol⁵, and any other recent multi-state or national law or policy statement on energy policy. Together the State of the Union speech and the governors’ associations resolutions provide clear criteria that are consistent with initiatives in states across the country and with initiatives in Congress.

The President’s Advanced Energy Initiative includes the following: “replacing more than 75 percent of our oil imports from the Middle East by 2025,” reducing demand for natural gas, diversifying energy sources, developing “cleaner,” “cheaper,” and “more reliable alternative energy sources.”⁶

The WGA resolution states “To ensure that newer, clean energy sources play an important role in meeting this goal [of a clean, secure energy future], this resolution is specifically concerned with identifying ways to increase the contribution of renewable energy, energy efficiency, and clean energy technologies within the context of the overall energy needs of the West.” It further states “the Western Governors will examine the feasibility of and actions that would be needed to achieve a goal to develop 30,000 MW of clean energy in the West by 2015 from resources such as energy efficiency, solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, clean coal technologies, and advanced natural gas technologies.” The resolution identifies wind in particular: “Western Governors also believe there is long term wind energy potential in the western plains and mountain states but that a more aggressive effort to develop this energy resource is needed. Western Governors believe that a comprehensive study of the development and transmission of the West’s wind energy resources is necessary. This study should build on the numerous subregional plans

³ <http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2006/01/20060131-6.html>

⁴ <http://www.westgov.org/wga/policy/04/clean-energy.pdf>

⁵ <http://www.midwestgovernors.org/issues/Protocol.pdf>

⁶ <http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2006/01/20060131-6.html>

underway, such as the Rocky Mountain Area Transmission Study, but should emphasize policies that can facilitate wind development throughout the region.”⁷

The Midwestern Governors’ Association Regional Electric Transmission Protocol recognizes that additional investment in transmission is needed. The Protocol also states that the Midwest could become a substantial provider of wind-generated electricity, but the power needs to be moved to where it is needed. The Protocol also acknowledges that the benefits of additional infrastructure include more reliability, access to low-cost generation, diversity of supply, and economic development opportunities.

To derive metrics from the policy statements of the President, the MGA and the WGA, AWEA proposes that the following features from each be used. From the President’s initiative metrics should include increasing supplies of clean, low cost, reliable, and domestic energy that diversifies the nation’s energy portfolio. The WGA initiative includes these same metrics plus the development of “energy efficiency, solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, clean coal technologies, and advanced natural gas technologies.” The MGA statement includes “low cost,” “more diverse supplies leading to lower cost,” “environmental benefits from improved access to renewable generation,” “economic and job growth,” and an “expanded tax base.” Together, AWEA suggests that DOE adopt the following metrics for Criterion 5: “an area that allows for the development of clean, low cost, reliable, and domestic energy that diversifies the nation’s energy portfolio including a demonstration that a corridor will increase the use of some or all of the following: energy efficiency, solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, clean coal technologies, and advanced natural gas technologies.”

Draft Criterion 6: Targeted actions in the area are needed to enhance the reliability of electricity supplies to critical loads and facilities and reduce vulnerability of such critical loads or the electricity infrastructure to natural disasters or malicious acts.

AWEA suggests the following metric for this criterion as well as Criterion 1: “an area that would lead to supply from greater numbers of geographically dispersed small generating facilities that are less vulnerable to large sudden outages due to plant failure natural disasters or malicious acts than large generating stations.”

Draft Criterion 7: The area’s projected need (or needs) is not unduly contingent on uncertainties associated with analytic assumptions, e.g., assumptions about future prices for generation fuels, demand growth in load centers, the location of new generation facilities, or the cost of new generation technologies.

AWEA notes that this criterion is not identified in EPAct. The demonstration of whether corridors meet the other criteria should consider the issue identified here so this proposed criterion is at best redundant. Moreover, the undefined term “unduly contingent” provides little or no real guidance in selecting corridors.

Draft Criterion 8: The alternative means of mitigating the need in question have been addressed sufficiently.

⁷ <http://www.westgov.org/wga/policy/04/clean-energy.pdf>

AWEA supports this criterion but emphasizes that the *option* of transmission should be preserved through corridor status while other options are considered. Therefore we suggest a criterion that more closely tracks the language of EPA Act § 1221: “Any reasonable alternatives presented by interested parties have been addressed sufficiently to warrant preserving the transmission option, recognizing that alternatives to transmission facilities must be considered for approval of any specific project.”

IV. CONGESTION MODELING MUST ADDRESS NEW RESOURCES

The notice indicates that the initial electric transmission congestion study required by Federal Power Act subsection 216(a)(1) will be based on existing studies and congestion modeling of the Eastern and Western Interconnections. AWEA believes the study required by law must include the lack of transmission between supply resources like wind and electric load. Typical power system load flow and economic dispatch models take existing generators and load as given and therefore do not address this issue unless it is explicitly added. The Department’s modeling should include not only existing generators but new supply sources like pockets of wind.

V. RELEVANT TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES

The Department’s notice indicates that it will publish its congestion study by August 8, 2006 and at that time it will invite interested parties to provide comments and recommendations concerning its needs assessments and potential corridors to address identified needs. Appendix A to the notice includes the list of transmission plans and studies the Department currently has under review for its congestion study. AWEA respectfully proposes the following five additional studies for use in the Department’s congestion study.

These five additional studies are:

- Southwest Power Pool’s (SPP) *Kansas/Panhandle Sub-Regional Transmission Study*, <http://sppoasis.spp.org/documents/swpp/transmission/studies.cfm>, January 26, 2006;
- *Report of the BPA Infrastructure Technical Review Committee 2001 – 2004*, <http://www.transmission.bpa.gov/planproj/ITRC.cfm?page=ITRC>;
- *Report of the Tehachapi Collaborative Study Group*, March 16, 2005, www.cpuc.ca.gov/Published/Graphics/48819.pdf;
- the *Report of the Imperial Valley Study Group*, September 30, 2005, www.energy.ca.gov/ivsg/; and
- Southwestern Area Transmission group planning for southeastern Colorado, <http://www.azpower.org/swat/meetings/pdf/aug2005/maps.ppt>.

The existing transmission studies, both those noticed by the Department and those studies suggested above, show Draft Criteria met with transmission expansions that serve large additions of wind. Below is a description of the studies that have specifically examined the potential to bring benefits to consumers through large amounts of wind development, or identified wind-rich regions and begun the planning for the development of the wind resource.

Southern Plains

The Southwest Power Pool *Kansas/Panhandle Sub-Regional Transmission Study*, also known as the “X-Plan” because of the shape of the new lines crossing from the Nebraska border through western Kansas and into Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle, is an important study for the Department to include because it would diversify electricity supply by accessing an extraordinarily wind-rich region. This study was driven by requests from the developers of 2,500 MW of new wind generation currently seeking interconnection to transmission. SPP prepared this study during 2004 and revised it in 2005, showing \$80 million of production cost savings annually in the Southwest Power Pool, and annual total fixed charges costs of \$74 million.⁸ The plan uses new 345 kV line segments: Spearville-Mooreland-Potter-Tolk-Tuco, Spearville-Knoll-Pauline, and connections from Mooreland to the Northwest substation and to Wichita. These segments would allow new wind generation from western Kansas, southwestern Nebraska, western Oklahoma and the Texas panhandle to supply Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas and eastern Oklahoma immediately, and, with added transmission, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Desert Southwest

Several studies of proposed new transmission in Arizona, southern Nevada and Southern California detail congestion reduction and renewable energy development opportunities associated with the proposed facilities. These include the *Report of the Imperial Valley Study Group* (for export of 2,200 MW of renewable resources from California’s Imperial Valley); CAISO studies of the Palo Verde—Devers #2 project (to bring Southwestern resources to Southern California); the Report of the Phase III Study of the Central Arizona Transmission System; and the San Diego Gas & Electric Transmission Comparison Study (to provide a new 500 kV connection from the Southwest to San Diego County and Southern California). This collection of studies by regional utility companies, completed using WECC protocols, address reliability, congestion relief and new conventional and renewable generation supply for the region.

Central California

The *Report of the Tehachapi Collaborative Study Group* is a result of work directed under a California Public Utility Commission (“CPUC”) order.⁹ The report details a plan to connect 4,500 MW of wind generation in the Tehachapi region to the state 500 kV grid. The study was led by a stakeholder collaborative that included the CPUC, the California ISO, the California Energy Commission, Southern California Edison, Pacific Gas & Electric, wind developers, and the Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies. The Tehachapi conceptual development plan allows wind generation potential in the Tehachapi region to meet state renewable resource goals. Lack of transmission capacity has prevented the development of renewable generation supply in this region to serve the state’s well-known need for energy.

Pacific Northwest

⁸ Costs include underlying lower-voltage upgrades, and 15% cost of capital. Fuel cost assumed in 2005 study was \$5/ MMBtu natural gas at the burner. *Addendum to the Kansas/Panhandle Sub-Regional Transmission Study* November 4, 2005. Higher natural gas prices would increase the plan’s net benefits.

⁹ CPUC Decision 04-06-010 identified 4,060 MW of wind resource in Tehachapi in proceedings related to the implementation of the Renewable Portfolio Standard required by California law.

The Pacific Northwest has several wind-rich areas. Transmission planning in the region has focused on moving power from east of the Cascades to the coast, and from Montana to the Northwest more generally. Transmission planning to move wind power to load centers on the coast has emphasized the shorter distance transmission from the Columbia Gorge region than from Montana. These transmission reports are not included in the Department notice. The 2001 *Report of the BPA Infrastructure Technical Review Committee*, written by representatives of investor-owned utilities and publicly-owned utilities, highlight regional transmission needs. Annual updates of this inventory of unsolved congestion can be found at the BPA website <http://www.transmission.bpa.gov/planproj/ITRC.cfm?page=ITRC>.

There are three congestion bottlenecks identified in these reports that are most relevant to move wind resources from east of the Cascades to the load centers of Western Oregon and Washington: 1) McNary-John Day; 2) Paul-Allston and Allston-Keeler path; and 3) the Cross-Cascades North and South paths.

The Department notice also includes the *Montana-Pacific Upgrade Study*. This recent study by the Northwest Power Pool examined the addition of 750 MW of generation in eastern Montana, or the alternative of wind development closer to load, in western Montana near Great Falls, to serve the Puget Sound and Portland areas. The transmission options to incorporate significant new generation in Montana include one or more 500 kV circuits.

Intermountain West

In September 2003, Wyoming Governor Dave Freudenthal and Utah Governor Michael Leavitt created the Rocky Mountain Area Transmission Study (RMATS) as a multi-state effort to reduce congestion and increase transmission. This work recommended two priority transmission upgrade projects in the region: the Bridger Expansion Project, and the Tot 3 Upgrade Project. RMATS also explored transmission export options. The Bridger Expansion Project adds transmission from the Jim Bridger switchyard/coal plant in southwest Wyoming East to the wind resources in central Wyoming; southwest to Salt Lake City; and West to southern Idaho. Initially, these additions would support 1,375 MW of new wind generation in southwest/south central Wyoming. Larger additions for export to Nevada and the West Coast are also described. The Tot 3 Upgrade Project would add new 345 kV facilities to export supply resources from eastern Wyoming to the Colorado Front Range load center, including export of 1,200 MW of wind generation from excellent wind resources in eastern Wyoming to Denver. The RMATS study also outlined alternatives for exporting as much as 10,000 MW of Rocky Mountain generating resources to the Pacific Northwest, Nevada and California.

Significant additional wind development in southeastern Colorado for Denver and for export via the Bridger Expansion Project will rely on transmission from the southeastern part of the state. This added transmission has been discussed in the Southwest Area Transmission regional planning effort. The reports in this effort have not been noticed by the Department. See the maps for southeastern Colorado at the website: <http://www.azpower.org/swat/meetings/pdf/aug2005/maps.ppt>.

Midwest

The Midwest ISO prepared a 2003 Transmission Expansion Plan (MTEP) and the MTEP 2005 with the knowledge that this ISO serves a region with over 700,000 MW of “proven reserves” of wind power in its nine state region.¹⁰ MTEP 2003 and 2005 are listed in Appendix A of the Department’s notice. The economic analysis in the MTEP 2003 study found transmission investments could reduce annual energy costs between \$304 million and \$1.6 billion when coupled with high amounts of wind, depending on natural gas price projections. 2003 MTEP includes an Exploratory Plan for Iowa and southern Minnesota for transmitting wind energy from this area (including the eastern edge of the Dakotas) to Minneapolis- St. Paul. When the study was performed, a gas price of \$3.24-\$3.85/mmBtu Natural Gas was the base case assumption, resulting in an annual benefit of \$304 Million.¹¹ In MTEP 2005, the Exploratory Plans are refined, with 3,500 MW of wind generation for Iowa and Southern Minnesota, as well a Northwest Exploratory Plan for the Eastern Dakotas and Western Minnesota providing 1,500 MW of new wind generation.

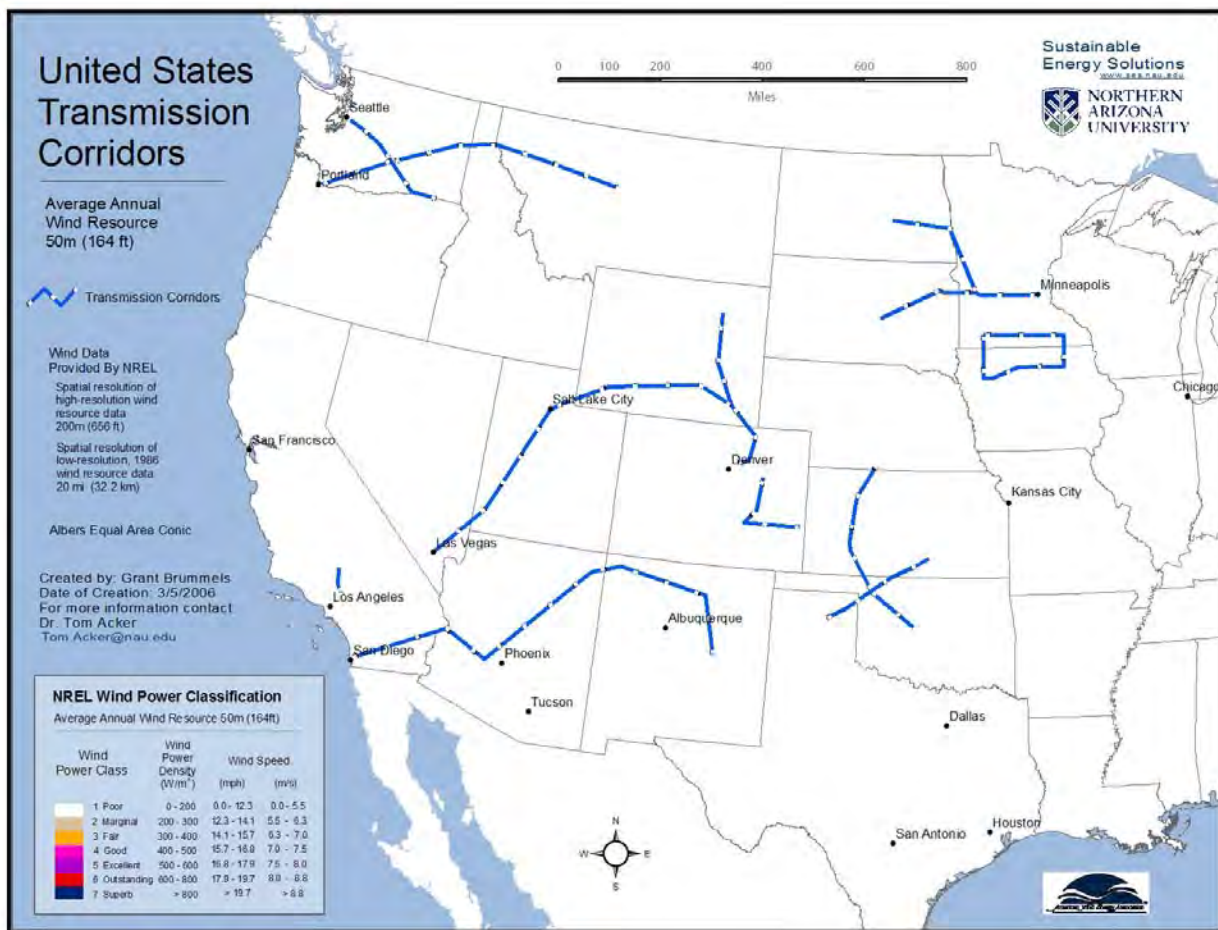
VII. PROPOSED CORRIDORS

Using the information and analyses from the studies the Department has noticed and the additional studies suggested in these comments, we believe the Department will find that the corridors identified below satisfy the criteria for National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors. We are not requesting early designation per the opportunity provided in the Department’s notice; rather we provide these as preliminary suggestions on corridors that we believe should be considered in the Department’s study.

1. Northern New Mexico to San Diego as a group identified in the *Report of the Imperial Valley Study Group*, Documents on the Palo Verde—Devers #2 project, and the *Report of the Phase III Study of the Central Arizona Transmission System*;
2. Eastern Oregon/ Washington to Portland/Seattle as identified in the *Report of the BPA Infrastructure Technical Review Committee*;
3. Tehachapi to Vincent Substation, identified in *Report of the Tehachapi Collaborative Study Group*;
4. Southern Wyoming to Denver, as identified in RMATS Recommendation 1;
5. Southern Wyoming to Las Vegas, as identified in RMATS Recommendation 2;
6. Eastern Colorado to Denver, as identified in RMATS Recommendation 2;
7. Western Kansas and Oklahoma to Kansas City, identified in SPP’s *Kansas/Panhandle Sub-Regional Transmission Study*;
8. Eastern North Dakota to Minneapolis, identified in Midwest ISO’s *MTEP 03*; and
9. South Dakota to Minneapolis, identified in Midwest ISO’s *MTEP 03*.

¹⁰ See *An Assessment of Windy Land Area and Wind Energy Potential*, Pacific Northwest Laboratory, 1991.

¹¹ Greater savings to consumers are shown for higher gas prices.



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ITC Midwest Transmission Project - Information Request #6

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: ET6675/CN-12-1053 Request Date: February 18, 2014
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Requested From: Elizabeth Goodpaster, MCEA, as attorney for MCEA, WOW, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League.

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for NoCapX 2020 and CETF

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
6.	<p>Wind on the Wires, MCEA, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League are all participants in RE-AMP, which promotes expansion of the transmission system.</p> <p>a. Describe the RE-AMP transmission position in detail.</p> <p>b. Identify activities of Wind on the Wires and/or MCEA, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League regarding expansion of the transmission system with, for, and/or as a part of, in coalition with, on behalf of, or with RE-AMP funding, including but not limited to (see funding list, attached) “developing business plan for large-scale wind transmission,” “compare the environmental and economic impacts of transmission options, and to promote pro-wind transmission policies,” “to provide research and advocacy to overcome the physical, policy, and pricing barriers to transmission for wind power,” “transmission planning around renewable energy,” “expand project-planning and policy-making process for development and deployment of clean energy transmission,” “move forward with energy infrastructure development,” “wind transportation Midwest,” and disclose funding received and source (see, e.g., attached funding list).</p>

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by: _____

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FUNDER	RECIPIENT	DATE	AMOUNT
Carolyn Foundation	Community Wind Project (consortium)	2004	\$ 100,000
	Community Wind Project (consortium)	2005	\$ 75,000
	Environment Minnesota	2011	\$ 30,000
	Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2003	\$ 97,500
	Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2005	\$ 75,000
	Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2006	\$ 150,000
	Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2009	\$ 15,000
	Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2010	\$ 15,000
	Green Institute	2004	\$ 15,000
	Green Institute	2009	\$ 25,000
	Honor the Earth	2009	\$ 15,000
	Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2003	\$ 35,000
	Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2007	\$ 35,000
	Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2011	\$ 20,000
	Institute for Local Self-Reliance	2007	\$ 20,000
	Institute for Local Self-Reliance	2010	\$ 17,295
	Minnesota Council of Non-Profits	2005	\$ 15,000
	Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2007	\$ 20,000
	Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2007	\$ 15,000
	Minnesota Project	2003	\$ 45,000
	Minnesota Project	2004	\$ 35,000
	Minnesota Public Interest Research Group	2007	\$ 15,000
	North American Water Office	2003	\$ 15,000
	North American Water Office	2007	\$ 50,000
	REnew Northfield	2005	\$ 18,000
	Sierra Club Foundation	2003	\$ 40,000
	Sierra Club Foundation	2005	\$ 40,000
	Windustry	2010	\$ 30,000
	Total (28 grants)		\$ 1,077,795

Initiative including North American Water Office, Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy, Minnesota Project & Windustry

Initiative including North American Water Office, Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy, Minnesota Project & Windustry

MN Solar Works Campaign: Ten percent solar electricity by 2030

Advancing community wind projects

Better energy option business plan for large-scale wind project

Second phase of developing business plan for large-scale wind transmission in MN, SD, IA & WI

Green Step Cities program

Green Step Cities program

General operating support

Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERT) in Twin Cities

Energy justice initiative

Renewable energy, working landscapes and watershed protection work

Promoting sustainable renewable energy project

Promote public health title in federal farm bill to protect human health and the environment

New Rules Project for work on renewable energy and distributed energy development

New Rules Project for work on renewable energy and distributed energy development

General operating support

Dialogue w/Xcel Energy re: re-education of carbon dioxide emissions

Clean Energy MN Collaborative

CERTS building renewable energy project in MN

Hearland food initiative

Renewable energy & campus sustainability campaign

Organizing local and community-based ownership of wind generation in SW MN

Community based energy

General operating support

MN air toxics campaign

MN clean air campaign

Community Options for Renewable Energy (CORE)

Energy Foundation of San Francisco			
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 250,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2009	\$ 80,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2008	\$ 100,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2007	\$ 185,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 135,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 100,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2009	\$ 100,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2008	\$ 350,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2009	\$ 300,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 190,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 105,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 150,000	
Blue Green Alliance Foundation	2010	\$ 250,000	
Clean Up the River Environment	2008	\$ 25,000	
Clean Up the River Environment	2008	\$ 20,000	
Clean Up the River Environment	2006	\$ 20,000	
Clean Water Fund	2008	\$ 15,000	
Clean Water Fund	2006	\$ 10,000	
Farmer's Legal Action Group	2005	\$ 20,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2003	\$ 275,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2004	\$ 550,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2006	\$ 275,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2003	\$ 260,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2004	\$ 550,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 15,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 225,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 15,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 125,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$ 31,250	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$ 93,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 75,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 100,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 50,000	
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 250,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2011	\$ 35,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2008	\$ 80,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2010	\$ 200,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2009	\$ 365,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2009	\$ 25,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2008	\$ 189,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2008	\$ 100,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2007	\$ 40,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2007	\$ 100,000	
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2006	\$ 75,000	
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2009	\$ 80,000	
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2008	\$ 300,000	
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2007	\$ 100,000	
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2007	\$ 50,000	
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2006	\$ 100,000	
International Alliance for Sustainability	2007	\$ 15,000	
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2003	\$ 100,000	
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2004	\$ 150,000	
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$ 300,000	
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$ 55,000	

To assess the job impacts of EPA regulation of greenhouse gases, and convene stakeholders to discuss potential regulations.

To design and get support for improvements to the Manufacturing Extension Partnership program, and for media outreach on renewable energy.

To promote policies and incentives for the creation of new jobs in renewable energy equipment manufacturing.

To help build support for a federal RPS campaign in Midwestern states.

To support the Clean Energy Manufacturing Center initiative.

To support education and stakeholder engagement of the pulp and paper and biomass industries on issues related to a federal renewable electricity standard.

To support the development of a Green Manufacturing Center, which would help manufacturers, economic development agencies, and government promote the renewable energy supply chain.

To hire labor organizers in the Midwest to educate labor leaders on climate.

To provide general operating support.

To provide general operating support.

To provide general operating support.

To engage labor voices in heavy duty rule making efforts

To support automotive and oil industry task forces and related outreach and analysis

To oppose the Big Stone II coal plant in South Dakota

To oppose new conventional coal-fired power plants in the Midwest

To resist permits for new conventional coal plants in the Midwest

To support opposition to new coal-fired power plants in South Dakota

To resist permits for new conventional coal plants in the Midwest

To develop a farmers' legal guide on wind power, and to analyze state policies encouraging community-owned wind power

To support clean energy advocacy in Minnesota

To promote clean energy projects in MN and the midwest

To continue promoting renewable energy policies in Minnesota through the support of the Minnesota SEED Coalition

To support the Community Wind project, promoting policies that encourage locally-owned wind power projects in MinnesotaCommunity wind MN

To promote renewable energy and energy efficiency policies in Minnesota.

To inform businesses in Minnesota of the benefits of energy efficiency.

To support a Clean Energy Program that will advance clean energy in Minnesota, regionally in the Midwest, and at the federal level

To conduct business outreach on federal energy efficiency policy in Minnesota and North Dakota

To advocate for a carbon cap in Minnesota

To support global warming policy development in the Midwest

To develop and advocate for cap-and-trade policy in Minnesota and the upper Midwest

To educate opinion leaders and policymakers in Minnesota on the elements of a carbon cap and trade system

To support outreach and education on climate regulation options in Minnesota.

To work on building code adoption in Minnesota

To advance clean cars in Minnesota

To educate policymakers, climate advocates, and industry stakeholders about carbon capture and storage (CCS) and enhanced oil recovery (EOR) and promote sound and protective CCS-EOR policies.

To support state policy development and education on federal climate policy opportunities

To develop a pathway toward low carbon fuels for the Midwest

To advance low-carbon fuels and renewable power in the Midwest

To advance low-carbon fuels in the Midwest

To provide regional outreach and to organize farm groups in support of policies to encourage farm-based energy production

To provide support for the North Central Bioeconomy Consortium.

To develop and promote policies around advanced and cellulosic biofuels in the Midwest

To establish the North Central Bioeconomy Consortium, with Midwestern secretaries of agriculture, ag extension, and ag experiment stations

To convene stakeholders in the Upper Midwest to develop a package of policies promoting advanced biofuels

To promote low-carbon fuels in Minnesota

To promote policies for cellulosic and low-carbon biofuels in Minnesota.

To develop and implement standards for the sustainable production of biofuels feedstocks

To research and develop policy encouraging the use of advanced biofuels

To develop sustainable cropping standards for the most promising biomass crops and materials that will be the feedstocks for the emerging cellulosic biofuel sector

To support Congregations Caring for Creation to develop a strategic Plan for its global warming work with faith communities in Minnesota

To study the integration of windpower with midwestern hydro resources, compare the environmental and economic impacts of transmission options, and to promote pro-wind transmission policies

To support a second year of work to promote renewable energy, energy efficiency, and clean distributed generation in Minnesota.

To promote clean energy policies in Minnesota.

To oppose new coal-fired power plants in the upper Midwest.

Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2007	\$	50,000	To promote energy efficiency and renewable energy policies in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2007	\$	55,000	To defeat proposals to expand power generation from conventional coal-fired power plants in the Midwest
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2006	\$	31,000	To resist permits for new conventional coal plants in the Midwest
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2006	\$	300,000	To promote energy efficiency and renewable energy policies in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2005	\$	75,000	To support advocacy efforts to promote renewable energy, and to fight power generation derived from pulverized coal in South Dakota.
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2004	\$	330,000	To promote renewable energy, energy efficiency, and clean distributed generation in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2010	\$	150,000	To support work on clean energy policies in Minnesota and the upper midwest.
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2010	\$	80,000	To support energy efficiency programs and accelerate the retirement of coal-fired power plants in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2003	\$	600,000	To provide research and advocacy to overcome the physical, policy, and pricing barriers to transmission for wind power in the Upper Midwest
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2009	\$	65,000	To transition the Midwest away from reliance on conventional coal plants in the Upper Midwest and build support for federal energy efficiency policies
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2011	\$	50,000	To advance low carbon fuels in Minnesota and more broadly in the Midwest
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2009	\$	80,000	To promote low-carbon fuels in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$	160,000	To advance a low carbon fuel standard in Minnesota
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$	35,000	To study and promote Minnesota-oriented low carbon fuels standard.
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$	100,000	To advance a low carbon fuel standard in Minnesota
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2006	\$	25,000	To support efforts to discourage permitting of the 600-megawatt Big Stone II pulverized coal plant.
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2004	\$	10,000	To advocate that Minnesota utilities must procure new renewables generation under the Minnesota Renewable Energy Objective
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2004	\$	35,000	To support legal advocacy in the implementation of the Minnesota Renewable Energy Obligation, and in transmission planning around renewable energy.
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2010	\$	150,000	To accelerate the retirement of coal-fired power plants in Minnesota
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2009	\$	48,000	To oppose existing coal in Minnesota
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2009	\$	30,000	To engage the ag sector in advancing clean cars in Minnesota
Minnesota Project	2007	\$	200,000	To promote community ownership of wind generation through public policy
Minnesota Project	2006	\$	100,000	To support community wind development in state and federal policies
Minnesota Project	2005	\$	100,000	To advance community wind efforts in Minnesota, the Upper Midwest and Great Plains by expanding policy developments and advocacy efforts.
Minnesota Project	2005	\$	42,500	To support the Midwest Agriculture Energy Network
Minnesota Project	2004	\$	32,500	To support the establishment of a Midwestern network of groups promoting agricultural energy sources, like wind and bioenergy
Minnesota Project	2005	\$	45,000	To host an ag energy conference for advancing renewable energy and the use of advanced biofuels.
Minnesota Project	2007	\$	100,000	To promote sustainable cellulosic bioenergy production and ensure a rapid transition to perennial energy crop
Minnesota Project	2007	\$	75,000	To provide regional outreach and organizing of farm groups in support of policies to encourage farm-based energy production
Minnesota Project	2006	\$	75,000	To provide regional outreach and organizing of farm groups in support of policies to encourage farm-based energy production
Minnesota Project	2006	\$	25,000	To support education and outreach on clean energy opportunities in federal farm policy
Plains Justice	2009	\$	18,459	To defeat new coal-fired power plants in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota
Rural Minnesota Energy Taskforce	2003	\$	30,000	To support the work of the Rural Minnesota Energy Task Force, a collaboration of 11 county commissions in Southwest Minnesota to promote wind power
Southwest Minnesota Initiative Foundation	2003	\$	45,000	To host an innovation forum and to hire a consultant to help with renewable energy business development in Southwest Minnesota
University of Minnesota Foundation	2008	\$	40,000	To analyze the potential for a low-carbon fuels standard in Minnesota
Wind on the Wires	2006	\$	275,000	wind for midwest
Wind on the Wires	2006	\$	300,000	overcome wind barriers midwaes
Wind on the Wires	2009	\$	500,000	wind transportation midwest
Windustry	2008	\$	30,000	To support the Community Wind Energy 2008 conference in New York
Windustry	2005	\$	30,000	To convene a conference on farm-based renewable energy production in Iowa
Windustry	2005	\$	10,000	To develop a farmers' legal guide on wind power, and to analyze state policies encouraging community-owned wind power
Windustry	2010	\$	80,000	To educate the public about community owned wind power.
Windustry	2009	\$	100,000	To develop and promote public policies that advance community owned renewable energy projects.
Windustry	2003	\$	25,000	To develop support in rural communities for new wind energy projects and policies in Illinois, and to support a national
Windustry	2003	\$	25,000	To develop support in rural communities for new wind energy projects and policies in Illinois
Total (99 grants)			\$	12,515,709

Garfield Foundation

Clean Water Fund	2006	\$	30,000	Boosted grassroots efforts to halt construction of the proposed Big Stone II coal plant in South Dakota
Common Assets Defense Fund/Tomales Bay Institute	2008	\$	20,000	A contribution toward its 2008 Climate Program in the upper Midwest to promote the Cap and Dividend model as an equitable and sustainable method of reducing greenhouse gas emissions at the state, regional and national levels.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2003	\$	275,000	No details
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2004	\$	550,000	No details
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2005	\$	275,000	Assisted Fresh Energy's efforts to lead the Reducing Demand for New Dirty Energy Working Group through its strategic planning phase. Also supported
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2005	\$	260,000	Enabled Fresh Energy to assume management of the RE-AMP on-line Communications Commons and improve the existing infrastructure by adding functions to speed communication, facilitate alignment, and create a dynamic learning community.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2005	\$	550,000	Establishment of a Media Center to influence public discourse on energy by reframing it to translate existing public preference for clean, efficient energy into effective policy action.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2006	\$	15,000	Support to significantly revamp the RE-AMP on-line Communication Commons, increasing the number of "high value" postings, and making the Commons a transparent hub for tracking the progress of RE-AMP.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2006	\$	225,000	Enabled the Clean Energy Working Group to become more structured and dynamic,
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$	15,000	Continue to manage and further develop the RE-AMP on-line communication Commons
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$	125,000	Continue to manage the RE-AMP Media Center, designed to influence the public discourse on energy by reframing it
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$	31,250	Supports the ongoing activities of the RE-AMP Media Center, designed to refine the RE-AMP message (keeping it as up-to-date and effective as possible), while helping RE-AMP organizations stay on message and training them to be as effective as possible in their media outreach. The Media Center cultivates and trains new media messengers, and coordinates rapid response to emerging media opportunities.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$	93,000	Continued support to manage and further develop the RE-AMP on-line communication Commons.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$	75,000	Support to design a round-table dialogue between environmental and social justice advocates to address the issues involved in cap & trade policy.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$	100,000	For ongoing activities such as developing and refining the RE-AMP media and public outreach message.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$	50,000	Funds the launch of an updated and easier to navigate Internet-based Commons
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$	250,000	Supports on-going leadership role in RE-AMP and the Global Warming Strategic Action Fund
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2003	\$	50,000	No details
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2005	\$	50,000	Support to lead the Retirement of Dirty Energy Generation Working Group through its strategic planning phase. Also supported coordination and cross-checking among all four RE-AMP working groups.
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2007	\$	25,000	Allows the Center to demonstrate to Minnesota state regulators the financial and regulatory risks associated with constructing the Big Stone II coal plant in South Dakota. The Center will use advanced modeling software endorsed by the Minnesota Department of Commerce.
Minnesota Project	2003	\$	50,000	No details
Minnesota Project	2004	\$	115,000	No details
Minnesota Project	2005	\$	50,000	Support to lead the Energy Efficiency Working Group through the strategic planning phase. Also supported coordination and cross-checking among all four RE-AMP working groups.
Minnesota Project	2006	\$	200,000	Supported the RE-AMP Energy-Efficiency Working Group's Midwest Energy-Efficiency Initiative
Minnesota Project	2006	\$	15,000	Supports the continued efforts of the
Minnesota Project	2007	\$	100,000	RE-AMP Energy Efficiency Working Group while strengthening its ability to attract additional financial resources and carry out implementation phase work.
Minnesota Project	2007	\$	15,000	Working Group's Midwest Energy-Efficiency Initiative
Will Steger Foundation	2007	\$	2,000	No details
Will Steger Foundation	2008	\$	2,800	No details

Total (29 grants)	\$ 3,614,050
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Joyce Foundation

Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy)	2003	\$ 175,000	Promote changes in state energy, transportation and tax policies
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy)	2004	\$ 350,000	To advance policies for renewable energy and energy efficiency in Minnesota.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 300,000	To establish a media center to provide communications tools and services to regional and national organizations working
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 300,000	To support the work of the REAMP media center.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy)	2011	\$ 120,000	RE-AMP media center
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2006	\$ 437,500	Coal gasification working group
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2007	\$ 99,400	To brief Midwest lawmakers and regulators about how advanced coal technologies are currently deployed in Europe and encourage their support for similar adoption here.
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2008	\$ 600,000	For ongoing work to accelerate adoption of advanced coal technologies with carbon capture and storage, building on regional agreements of Midwestern governors.
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2010	\$ 411,000	For implementation of key elements of the Midwestern Governors Association's Energy Roadmap and related accords.
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2011	\$ 282,184	Accelerate CCS via Enhanced Oil Recovery; test New Models for Energy Efficiency Financing; and increase uptake of energy efficiency by industry and cities
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2004	\$ 300,000	To assist state regulators and electric suppliers in designing a renewable energy credit trading system for the upper Midwest and the Dakotas.
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2006	\$ 300,000	To support intervention in the licensing hearings for the Big Stone II power plant in SD and MN
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2007	\$ 350,000	To encourage the deployment of advanced coal generation in MN and to promote policies that encourage and enable carbon capture and storage
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2009	\$ 350,000	To continue its efforts to develop policies that drive a transition away from conventional coal-fired electricity and promote low emissions alternatives
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2011	\$ 172,202	To affect clean energy policy adoption in Minnesota and surrounding Upper Midwest states.
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2003	\$ 97,360	Transportation policy work
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2004	\$ 217,077	To build business support for a new funding mechanism for public transit projects in Minnesota
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2008	\$ 150,000	To fund a second energy attorney to the staff, provide more administrative and research support for the energy team, and provide compensation for critical expert testimony.
Transit for Livable Communities	2003	\$ 75,000	Continued analysis of transportation planning and spending in MN and to educate the media and public.
Transit for Livable Communities	2004	\$ 150,000	To advocate for new public transportation policies in Minnesota to support new transit projects, such as the proposed Northstar
Total (20 grants)		\$ 5,236,723	

Kendeda Sustainability Fund / Kendeda Fund

Minnesota Public Radio/American Public Media	2005	\$ 2,100,000	American Public Media sustainability initiative
Minnesota Public Radio/American Public Media	2008	\$ 1,000,000	Continued Global Sustainability News Coverage and Programming
Minnesota Public Radio/American Public Media	2009	\$ 1,000,000	Continued Global Sustainability News Coverage and Programming
Minnesota Public Radio/American Public Media	2010	\$ 1,000,000	Continued Global Sustainability News Coverage and Programming
Total (4 grants)		\$ 5,100,000	

Kresge Foundation

Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 350,000	Support current and expanded services of the RE-AMP media center
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 150,000	Support current and expanded services of the RE-AMP media center
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 100,000	Expand project-planning and policy-making process for development and deployment of clean energy transmission
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	2010	\$ 225,000	Analysis of the food system and impact on people's health and the environment.
Institute for Local Self-Reliance	2010	\$ 50,000	New Rules initiative support.
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2010	\$ 150,000	Support to participate in policy, planning and development efforts for clean energy transmission
Wind on the Wires	2010	\$ 350,000	Provide general operating support and efforts to move forward with energy infrastructure development
Wind on the Wires	2009	\$ 100,000	General operating support and help advance efforts to educate individuals, advocacy groups and decision makers on wind
Windustry	2010	\$ 75,000	Support for wind energy projects and efforts to educate landowners and residents.
Total (9 grants)		\$ 1,550,000	

Leighty Foundation

Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2007	\$ 10,000	Upper Midwest hydrogen initiative
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2009	\$ 2,000	Earth protection
Windustry	2009	\$ 2,000	Earth protection
Total (3 grants)		\$ 14,000	

Rockefeller Family Fund

Center for Energy and Environment	2008	\$ 48,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Common Assets Defense Fund	2007	\$ 30,000	To develop a commons-based approach to climate stability.
Conservation Minnesota	2007	\$ 100,000	General support.
Conservation Minnesota	2009	\$ 175,000	Fair Share Fund
Creation Care Fund	2009	\$ 22,400	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Foundation for Environmental Research	2008	\$ 50,000	Changing Horizons Fund
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 20,000	Support for RE-AMP project, clean energy working group.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 100,000	Work on energy efficiency and renewables.
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 55,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2008	\$ 115,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 237,500	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2008	\$ 99,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Institute for Local Self Reliance	2007	\$ 45,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2007	\$ 40,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2008	\$ 70,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Izaak Walton League of America Midwest Office	2009	\$ 50,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Luthern Coalition for Public Policy in Minnesota	2009	\$ 149,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2007	\$ 125,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2009	\$ 160,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Minnesota Project	2007	\$ 5,000	Support for RE-AMP project, energy efficiency working group.
On the Commons	2009	\$ 75,000	A grant to undertake analyses to examine the economic and climate benefits of a Cap & Dividend policy and to engage in
Will Steger Foundation	2007	\$ 25,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Will Steger Foundation	2009	\$ 50,000	RE-AMP climate change initiatives
Windustry	2007	\$ 35,000	Work on promoting wind energy in MN and the Midwest.
Total (24 grants)		\$ 1,880,900	

The McKnight Foundation

Alliance for Metropolitan Stability	2004	\$ 480,000	Smart Growth Organization Project
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability	2003	\$ 200,000	Smart Growth Organization Project
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability	2006	\$ 400,000	For general operations and to support the Equitable Development project
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability	2009	\$ 300,000	For general operations and to support the Equitable Development project
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability	2011	\$ 350,000	For general operations and to support the Equitable Development project
Center for Energy and Environment	2010	\$ 350,000	support overall Climate Works Network

City of Minneapolis	2011	\$ 75,000	to partner with the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and Metro Transit to build Transit-Oriented Development capacity within existing public-private partnerships
City of Ramsey	2006	\$ 50,000	To support planning and community engagement activities aimed at producing a comprehensive plan informed by smart growth principles to guide future development
Conservation Minnesota	2011	\$ 75,000	to build capacity for Conservation Minnesota and other Minnesota-based environmental nonprofits to engage their constituents
Conservation Minnesota	2009	\$ 100,000	to strengthen the outreach capacity of advocacy organizations
Conservation Minnesota	2004	\$ 15,000	For an organization that works to connect and support Minnesota's environmental community
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2011	\$ 225,000	General operating support
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2011	\$ 20,000	To host and document a civic engagement forum based on The New Metropolis films
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2010	\$ 25,000	Twin Cities delegations for the 2011 New Partners for Smart Growth Conference; community resource center; growth management project
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2009	\$ 925,000	Project to promote growth management and thoughtful community planning
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2007	\$ 1,500,000	Project to promote growth management and thoughtful community planning
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2007	\$ 75,000	To build a community resource center that democratizes the use of public data for local planning purposes
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2006	\$ 260,000	for general operating and program support
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2005	\$ 25,000	to operate and maintain open space website and newsletter
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2005	\$ 60,000	To provide community planning assistance to the cities of Independence and Dayton related to The Edge project
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2003	\$ 25,000	Capacity-building activities
Envision Minnesota (formerly 1,000 Friends of Minnesota)	2003	\$ 10,000	Sponsor a smart growth conference
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2011	\$ 50,000	To support collaboration on Minnesota energy policy communications
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2010	\$ 230,000	To support the Transportation Connections program
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2009	\$ 100,000	To support research and advocacy for policies to affect transportation and transit policy
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2007	\$ 280,000	To build capacity to affect trans. and transit policy
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2005	\$ 150,000	To support research, constituency building and advocacy to promote energy policies that support smart growth development
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2011	\$ 50,000	to support collaboration on Minnesota energy policy communications
Fresh Energy (formerly Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy)	2003	\$ 100,000	To support policy and fiscal analysis projects related to the Smart Growth Organizing Project
Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities	2011	\$ 65,000	To support the success of the Central Corridor Light Rail project and improve transportation policy and practice in the Twin Cities and at the federal level
Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities	2010	\$ 75,000	To advance sustainable community by transforming transportation policy and practices in twin cities region and at federal level
Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities	2008	\$ 60,000	to align and advance philanthropic leadership on growth and development issues in the greater twin cities region
Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities	2007	\$ 75,000	to align and advance philanthropic leadership on growth and development issues in the greater twin cities region
Funders' Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities	2004	\$ 15,000	To sponsor the Twin Cities delegation to the second national summit on regional equity and smart growth
Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development	2011	\$ 70,000	To ramp up GreenStep Cities program to promote cities' adoption of sustainable community goals and standards
Green Institute	2003	\$ 15,000	Rainwater infiltration (sic) rooftop garden Phillips Eco-Enterprise Center
Growth & Justice	2011	\$ 25,000	To support the Smart Investments in Transportation for Minnesota project
Growth & Justice	2009	\$ 50,000	To support the Smart Investments in Transportation for Minnesota project
Growth & Justice	2007	\$ 165,000	Invest for Real Prosperity project and organizational assessment
ISAIAH	2003	\$ 25,000	For a membership mapping and analysis project involving multiple organizations working on smart growth issues.
Living Cities, Inc.	2007	\$ 1,200,000	To support a national funders' collaborative committed to improving the vitality of cities and urban neighborhoods with opportunities and implications for sustainable community development in the Twin Cities
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	2011	\$ 50,000	To reduce the interest rate on loans made from partners involved in the Living Cities Local Integration Initiative to developers working to preserve and develop affordable housing units within Twin Cities transit corridors
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	2011	\$ 1,800,000	to support implementation, integration, and knowledge sharing efforts to build sustainable communities throughout the Twin Cities region
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2010	\$ 675,000	To support public policy advocacy for transportation and transit choice
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2008	\$ 680,000	To reduce the impact of regional growth by promoting balanced transportation and to protect/restore Mississippi river system in MN
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2007	\$ 15,000	Regional public opinion poll on transportation funding
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2006	\$ 655,000	To reduce the impact of regional growth by promoting balanced transportation and to protect/restore Mississippi river system in MN
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2004	\$ 776,798	To reduce impact on regional growth, support the Embrace Open Space campaign to protect/restore Mississippi river system in MN
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2004	\$ 150,000	To support the Embrace Open Space campaign's communications effort
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy	2003	\$ 65,000	To support the Embrace Open Space campaign's communications effort
Minnesota Council of Non-Profits	2008	\$ 25,000	General operating support
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2003	\$ 50,000	To provide communications assistance to environmental and conservation organizations
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2008	\$ 250,000	General operating support
Minnesota Environmental Partnership	2008	\$ 220,000	To strengthen communications and outreach about environmental and conservation issues
Minnesota League of Conservation Voters Education Fund	2003	\$ 15,000	For an organization that works to connect and support Minnesota's environmental community
Reconnecting America	2010	\$ 250,000	Support for Center for Transit-Oriented Development for work in the Twin Cities region
Reconnecting America	2007	\$ 525,000	Support for Center for Transit-Oriented Development for work in the Twin Cities region
Reconnecting America	2004	\$ 25,000	Support for Center for Transit-Oriented Development for work in the Twin Cities region
Reconnecting America	2004	\$ 600,000	Support for Center for Transit-Oriented Development for work in the Twin Cities region
Sierra Club Foundation	2010	\$ 140,000	To support the Land Use and Transportation Organizing project, which educates and involves Twin Cities metro residents in local land-use planning processes
Sierra Club Foundation	2008	\$ 167,929	To support the Land Use and Transportation Organizing project, which educates and involves Twin Cities metro residents in local land-use planning processes
Sierra Club Foundation	2006	\$ 180,000	To support the Land Use and Transportation Organizing project, which educates and involves Twin Cities metro residents in local land-use planning processes
Smart Growth America	2010	\$ 97,000	To support comprehensive transportation reform at the federal level through investment of an considering its impact on the Twin Cities region, and for the next steps in implementing the Regional Sustainability Indicator work (not re-amp)
Smart Growth America	2008	\$ 75,000	To support comprehensive transportation reform at the federal level to impact the Twin Cities region
Transit for Livable Communities	2009	\$ 250,000	For an organization that encourages improvement in transit and other transportation systems in the Twin Cities
Transit for Livable Communities	2007	\$ 275,000	For an organization that encourages improvement in transit and other transportation systems in the Twin Cities
Transit for Livable Communities	2005	\$ 235,000	For an organization that encourages improvement in transit and other transportation systems in the Twin Cities
Transit for Livable Communities	2011	\$ 250,000	for general operating support
Transit for Livable Communities	2003	\$ 150,000	For an organization that encourages improvement in transit and other transportation systems in the Twin Cities
Total (69 grants)		\$ 16,991,727	
TOTAL (285 grants)		\$ 47,980,904	

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ITC Midwest Transmission Project - Information Request #7

Docket Number: PUC Docket No.: ET6675/CN-12-1053 Request Date: February 18, 2014
OAH Docket No.: 60-2500-30782

Requested From: Elizabeth Goodpaster, MCEA, as attorney for MCEA, WOW, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League.

Party Requesting Information: Carol A. Overland for NoCapX 2020 and CETF

If you feel your responses are trade secret or privileged, please indicate this on your response.

Request No.	ITC Transmission Project
7.	<p>The positions and interests of MCEA, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy and Izaak Walton League in this docket are not clear. MCEA initially represented Wind on the Wires in its intervention, and then months later filed a Petition for Intervention for MCEA, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League requesting party status in this proceeding, and all these intervention requests have been granted. The WOW Petition identifies interests in “substantial additional outlet capacity for renewable energy..., relieving congestion constraints, and facilitating an efficient energy market,” and “ensuring that the Commission has a developed factual and legal record...” The “Petition of Fresh Energy and Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office” does not name MCEA in the caption nor does the first paragraph request intervention of MCEA, and the Petition contains one paragraph each describing the only work of Fresh Energy, IWLA and MCEA, and no showing of interests, legal rights, duties or privileges affected, or the grounds and purposes of intervention. MCEA Intervention is then requested in the final paragraph, and MCEA is included as a Petitioning party in the eDocket filing description. The Order of January 31, 2014 includes admission of MCEA as a full party.</p> <p>Under the Administrative rules:</p> <p><i>The petition shall show how the petitioner's legal rights, duties, or privileges may be determined or affected by the contested case; shall show how the petitioner may be directly affected by the outcome or that petitioner's participation is</i></p>

authorized by statute, rule, or court decision; shall set forth the grounds and purposes for which intervention is sought.

Minn. R. 1400.6200, Subp. 1.

Interventions are approved “*unless the judge finds that the petitioner's interest is adequately represented by one or more parties participating in the case.*”

Minn. R. 1400.6200, Subp. 3.

- a. Please identify the distinct interests of MCEA, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League, specifically, *how the petitioner's legal rights, duties, or privileges may be determined or affected by the contested case; shall show how the petitioner may be directly affected by the outcome or that petitioner's participation is authorized by statute, rule, or court decision; shall set forth the grounds and purposes for which intervention is sought.*
- b. To the extent the interests of these entities are the same, how are those intervenors not “adequately represented by one or more parties participating in the case.”
- c. To the extent that the interests of these entities are different, how is legal representation by MCEA of parties with differing interests not a conflict of interest?
- d. Identify MCEA’s basis for intervention while also representing, as attorney, Wind on the Wires, Fresh Energy, and Izaak Walton League, and why there is not either 1) adequate representation of its interests by one or more parties participating in the case, or 2) an attorney/client conflict due to differing interests of the parties.
- e. Identify each of the four organizations’ contractual and/or funding obligations and incentives to intervene.

These requests are continuing, and if new or additional information is discovered, please supplement your responses as soon as possible.

Electronic format preferred, via email or CD.

Response by:	_____	List sources of information:	_____
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**STATE OF MINNESOTA
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
FOR THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of ITC
Midwest LLC for a Certificate of Need for
the Minnesota-Iowa 345 kV Transmission
Line Project in Jackson, Martin, and
Faribault Counties

PUC Docket No. ET-6675/TL-12-1337
ET-6675/CN-12-1053

OAH Docket No. 60-2500-30782

**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF FRESH ENERGY AND IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE
OF AMERICA –MIDWEST OFFICE**

Fresh Energy, the Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office (“IWLA”), and the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy (“MCEA”) hereby request leave to intervene in the above-captioned docket, pursuant to Minn. R. 1400.6200. Wind on the Wires (“WOW”) petitioned to intervene on July 23, 2013 and has been granted party status. The foregoing Midwest regional nonprofit organizations intend to participate jointly in the proceeding.

Fresh Energy is a nonprofit (501c3) organization with a mission to provide clean energy and transportation policy solutions, advocacy, expertise, and sound analysis. Fresh Energy’s unique focus boosts the economy, creates jobs, promotes health, connects communities, and preserves the environment for future generations. Fresh Energy has a long history of work on clean energy transmission in the region, working in highly technical planning forums as well as with community groups engaged in siting and routing issues on the ground. Fresh Energy executive director Michael Noble was also a long-term board member for the regional wind energy association Wind on the Wires.

IWLA is a national nonprofit (501c3) conservation organization committed to protecting fish and wildlife, critical habitat, air, and water resources. IWLA has local chapters in South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa. The Midwest Office of the IWLA works on energy

and air quality issues throughout the Midwest including matters concerning the relationship between transmission and clean energy.

MCEA is a nonprofit environmental organization (501c3) that works in the courts, the legislature and state agencies to protect Minnesota's wildlife, natural resources and the health of its people. MCEA's five program areas include an Energy Program to advance the pursuit of environmentally sustainable energy policies.

Therefore, Fresh Energy, IWLA, and MCEA request that the Commission grant their request to jointly intervene with WOW as full parties in the above-captioned docket in order to advocate on behalf of their members' interests and further the missions of the organizations.

Dated: January 15, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Elizabeth Goodpaster

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of ITC Midwest LLC for a Certificate of Need and Route Permit for the Minnesota-Iowa 345 kV Transmission Line Project in Jackson, Martin, and Faribault Counties

**ORDER ON PETITIONS TO
INTERVENE BY FRESH ENERGY, THE
IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF
AMERICA-MIDWEST OFFICE AND
THE MINNESOTA CENTER FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY**

On January 15, 2014, Fresh Energy filed a Petition to Intervene. No objections have been filed to that Petition.

On January 15, 2014, the Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office (IWLA) filed a Petition to Intervene. No objections have been filed to that Petition.

On January 15, 2014, the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy (MCEA) filed a Petition to Intervene. No objections have been filed to that Petition.

Based on all of the files and proceedings of the matter, the Administrative Law Judge makes the following:

ORDER

1. Fresh Energy is admitted to this proceeding as a full party.
2. IWLA the Izaak Walton League of America – Midwest Office (IWLA) is admitted as a full party.
3. MCEA is admitted to this proceeding as a fully party.

Dated: January 31, 2014

s/James E. LaFave

JAMES E. LAFAVE
Administrative Law Judge

MEMORANDUM

Fresh Energy, IWLA and MCEA are (501c3) nonprofit organizations that have petitioned to intervene in this case.

The standards for intervention are set out in Minn. Rules 1400.6200 and 1405.0900. The latter rule states in part:

Subp. 1. **Petition.** Any person desiring to intervene in the hearing as a party shall submit a timely petition to intervene to the administrative law judge and shall serve the petition upon all existing parties. Timeliness will be determined by the administrative law judge in each case based on the circumstances at the time of filing. The petition shall show how the petitioner's legal rights, duties, or privileges are not otherwise represented, and shall set forth the grounds and purposes for which intervention is sought and shall indicate petitioner's statutory or legal right to intervene, if one should exist. The administrative law judge, with the consent of all the parties, may waive the requirement that the petition be in writing.¹

Fresh Energy, IWLA and MCEA filed timely petitions and have identified particular interests and groups that are not already represented in this proceeding. Admitting these groups as parties to this matter will ensure that their interests are adequately represented in this contested case proceeding.

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¹ Minn. Rule 1404.0900, subp. 1

Exhibit B

Biography of Bill Grant

From Dept. of Commerce site: <http://mn.gov/commerce/Root/Biographies.jsp>

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Bill Grant



Bill Grant is the Deputy Commissioner of Energy and Telecommunications for the Minnesota Department of Commerce. He is responsible for developing and managing programs and policies for Energy Planning and Advocacy, Energy Facility Permitting, the State Energy Office, Energy Assistance, Telecommunications, and the Broadband Development Office.

Before joining the Department in February 2011, Grant served as associate executive director of the Izaak Walton League of America, a position he held since 1995. The Izaak Walton League protects America's outdoors through education, community-based conservation, and promotion of outdoor recreation.

Prior to becoming the League's associate director, Grant served as director of the League's Midwest Office from 1992 to 1995; in that position he directed the League's advocacy of utility regulatory reform policies to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy in the Upper Midwest.

Grant has been instrumental in the development of several League publications, including *Power to Spare* in the Upper Midwest, *Energy Efficiency and Minnesota Jobs: The Employment Impacts of Electric Utility Demand-Side Management Programs*, and *The Landowner's Guide to Wind Energy in the Upper Midwest*.

Before joining the League, Grant spent seven years with the Minnesota Department of Public Service. His responsibilities there included the review of utility conservation plans, integrated resource plans, certificate of need filings, and interventions before federal regulatory agencies. Grant also spent six months on special assignment with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Grant earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and history from Macalester College in St. Paul (1979) and a Master of Arts in Public Administration from Hamline University in St. Paul (1995).

Download: [Deputy Commissioner Bill Grant Photo](#) (medium resolution, 200 dpi)

Exhibit C

McKnight \$4.5 million “Wind on the Wires” Project

May 1, 2001

McKnight Foundation 600 TCF Tower
121 South 8th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55402

May 1, 2001

For Immediate Release

Contact: Tom Kelly (612) 309-3303

**\$4.5 MIL. RENEWABLE ENERGY INITIATIVE LAUNCHED IN MINNEAPOLIS;
"WIND ON THE WIRES" WILL BOOST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL
MINNESOTA**

"Wind on the Wires" will help build the "Road to Market" for wind energy, a new cash crop"

Minneapolis, Minn. - "Wind on the Wires," the centerpiece of a \$4.5 million, two-year project to develop renewable energy resources, was unveiled today during the National Wind

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Coordinating Committee Upper Midwest Transmission Workshop at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Minneapolis. The McKnight Foundation and the San Francisco-based Energy Foundation are the primary sponsors of the project, which is a partnership of the business community, local leaders, clean energy advocates and wind energy experts.

"We are proud to support "Wind on the Wires," said Rip Rapson, McKnight Foundation President. "Wind power is a reliable, affordable and pollution-free source of energy. It promises to be a high-growth business that offers opportunities to further diversify our rural economy. Wind on the Wires is dedicated to realizing these opportunities, so Minnesota can be a world leader in developing this resource," Rapson added.

"Wind power is the fastest growing source of electricity in the world, and the Upper Midwest has been a focus for new development in recent years," said Eric Heitz, Executive Vice-President of the Energy Foundation. "This region is rich in wind resources with five of the top ten windiest states in the country in the Upper Midwest. Tapping this potential could mean billions of dollars of investment in the region," Heitz added.

"Wind on the Wires" will help build a road to market for wind power in the Upper Midwest. The roads for electricity are transmission wires connecting windy areas to power consumers. Opening up these roads to market will be the primary focus of this project. "Wind on the Wires" will focus on overcoming two main hurdles that currently limit large-scale development: bottlenecks in the power grid and old rules of the road for transmission systems.

"We are poised to expand markets for wind power and build a thriving industry in Minnesota and the Dakotas," said Paul White, Midwest Project Manager for enXco, a wind energy development company. "To move wind power to large markets such as the Twin Cities, Chicago, Des Moines and St. Louis, our top priority must be to remove the physical bottlenecks of the current power grid and upgrade the system. These upgrades will also improve the reliability of the system for consumers," White emphasized.

White also explained that the current rules of the road for transmission systems have worked well for conventional technology, but as technology has advanced, the rules also need to be updated. "Wind on the Wires will help by working to update government rules so that wind power has fair access to the market," White concluded.

Wind on the Wires partners will work with transmission planners and the grid operators to solve technical issues and to overcome regulatory hurdles. In addition, the Wind on the Wires partners will work with economic development officials to enlist their support for transmission improvements and wind development, and educate state, local, and federal officials on the benefits of wind power for the region.

For additional information on the "Wind on the Wires" project visit the website at: www.windonthewires.org.

ABOUT [THE MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION](#) - Founded in 1953 and endowed by William L. McKnight and Maude L. McKnight, the Foundation has assets of approximately \$2 billion and granted about \$94 million in 2000. Mr. McKnight was one of the early leaders of the 3M Company, although the Foundation is independent of 3M.

ABOUT [THE ENERGY FOUNDATION](#) - The Energy Foundation is a partnership of major foundations interested in energy efficiency and renewable power. Sponsors include: The McKnight Foundation, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, the Pew Charitable Trusts, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Joyce Mertz-Gilmore Foundation, and the David and Lucille Packard Foundation.

FACT SHEET

- 1999 was a record year for worldwide wind turbine sales and Minnesota and Iowa captured almost 15% (\$450 mil.) of the wind energy investment market.
- Electricity generated from wind energy is the fastest growing segment of energy production in the world, with an overall growth rate of 36% in 1999.
- According to the American Wind Energy Association, installed wind energy capacity in the US totaled 2,550 megawatts in 2000, and generated enough power for over 500,000 homes.
- The United States will increase wind-generated power output by 2000 megawatts in 2001.
- The US Department of Energy estimates that wind energy in Minnesota could supply more than the current energy needs of the state and could generate about 14% of the nation's electric power.
- Minnesota could develop 1,600 megawatts of new wind by 2010, and 4,500 megawatts by 2020, according to www.repowermidwest.org
- LM Glasfiber, a Danish firm that manufactures wind turbine blades recently opened a plant in Grand Forks, North Dakota that created 120 new jobs.
- NEG Micon, the world's second largest turbine manufacturer, has a plant in Champaign, Illinois.
- DMI Industries of Fargo, North Dakota recently switched from manufacturing farm implements for the sugar beet industry to building towers for wind turbines. They employ 130 people.
- Iowa wind farms generate \$2 million a year in tax revenue to local governments, and \$650,000 in payments to landowners
- Wind-generated energy supplies about 2% of Iowa's electricity needs, offsetting the need for coal imported from Wyoming and Montana.
- Wind farms produce \$710,000 in property tax revenues in Lincoln County, Minnesota.

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Exhibit D

McKnight \$8.1 million “Wind on the Wires” Project

June 26, 2003

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MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION TO INVEST MORE THAN \$8 MILLION IN UPPER MIDWEST RENEWABLE ENERGY

June 26, 2003 - McKnight continues 10-year partnership with San Francisco's Energy Foundation.

The McKnight Foundation announced today it will devote \$8.1 million over three years to a renewable energy program "primarily wind energy" in seven Upper Midwest states: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota.

McKnight will work with The Energy Foundation, a San Francisco-based national renewable energy leader, to administer the program. McKnight has had a 10-year partnership with The Energy Foundation.

McKnight's investment seeks to capitalize on, and promote, the Upper Midwest's leadership role in national energy policy. It builds on the three-year-old McKnight/Energy Foundation program "Wind on the Wires," which is designed to bring wind energy to market by improving and expanding the current power grid infrastructure. And it seeks to reinforce the economic development potential of alternative energy investments in hard-hit rural areas.

"We believe this investment will help the renewable energy message cross over from the environmental community to a broader audience," said Rip Rapson, president of The McKnight Foundation. "There is such tremendous potential waiting to be tapped. For example, wind power can be a potent form of economic development and income diversification for those in rural communities. The McKnight Foundation is proud to be leading an initiative that will both broaden the nation's energy mix and diversify our regional economy."

"The Energy Foundation has long advocated for reliable, affordable, and pollution-free energy," said Eric Heitz, the organization's president. "We see the potential for the Upper Midwest to become a world leader in this industry in the 21st century. We have already

seen almost a billion dollars invested in wind power in the region, with hundreds of skilled jobs created and millions of dollars put into the hands of struggling farmers and counties."

Existing wind energy projects in the Midwest create enough power for 250,000 homes in the region, pay more than \$2 million per year in royalties to farmers, and eliminate almost 3 million tons of carbon dioxide from coal-fired power plants, equivalent to taking 469,000 cars off the road.

Since 1993 The Energy Foundation and The McKnight Foundation have worked together to promote public policies to encourage development of renewable power and more efficient use of energy. This partnership was formalized in 1997 when McKnight made a three-year, \$3 million grant to the Energy Foundation to implement the Upper Midwest Clean Energy Initiative, a jointly developed strategy to encourage wind power development and stimulate businesses that help people use energy more efficiently in Minnesota and the Midwest. This support was renewed in 2000 with a two-year, \$2.5 million grant that focused on policy incentives for renewable energy development and the promotion of public policies that support transmission of wind-generated electricity.

ABOUT THE MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION

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ABOUT THE ENERGY FOUNDATION

The Energy Foundation is a private foundation whose mission is to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy as clean energy options. It is a partnership of major foundations including The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, The McKnight Foundation, The Mertz-Gilmore Foundation, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation, and The Pew Charitable Trusts. The Energy Foundation has an annual budget of \$20 million and offices in San Francisco and Beijing, China.

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