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Carol Overland Legalectric, Inc. 1110 West Avenue Red Wing, MN 55066

Dear Ms. Overland:

RE: Petition for Rulemaking for Wind Turbine Noise Standards, Minnesota Rules Chapter 7030

After consulting with colleagues at the Minnesota Departments of Health and Commerce, I have concluded that the current understanding of wind turbine noise and its potential effects is insufficient to support rulemaking at this time. Discussions will continue among the agencies listed above, and we will monitor the science (as resources allow) to inform our decision about rulemaking in the future.

Sincerely,

John Linc Stine Commissioner

cc: Commissioner Ehlinger, Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner Rothman, Minnesota Department of Commerce Executive Secretary Daniel Wolf, Public Utilities Commission