February 23, 2018

Mr. Daniel Wolf, Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

RE: Docket No. ET6657/WS-08-573

Dear Mr. Wolf:

Wisconsin Power & Light (WPL) sends this letter to provide notice to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) of an event pertaining to the Bent Tree Wind Project (Bent Tree). Although it is not clear whether this event would meet the definition of an Extraordinary Event under Section H.3 of the Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit (Permit) for Bent Tree, this notice is provided in an abundance of caution to ensure any such requirement is met and to advise the Commission of precautionary measures taken by WPL as it investigates the matter.

At approximately 5:00 PM yesterday, a WPL representative at Bent Tree received a voice mail from the Minnesota Highway Patrol stating that Highway Patrol had received a complaint alleging that turbine ice had contacted a semi-trailer truck traveling south yesterday at approximately 4:30 PM along MN HWY 13. The voicemail advised that the incident was being handled as a property damage event, that no citation was being issued, and that there were no injuries as a result. This is the first event in the history of Bent Tree’s operations involving possible turbine ice shedding contact with a passing vehicle.

Following the voicemail from the Highway Patrol, a Bent Tree technician was immediately dispatched to the site to assess the situation and take any turbines offline that were showing signs of ice shedding. The technician reported back to Bent Tree site management that he could find no ice along HWY 13, and that he had not witnessed any turbines shedding ice. However, as a precaution, WPL took 15 turbines along HWY 13 and secondary roads offline while WPL further investigated the matter. Bent Tree site management also communicated to the Freeborn County Sheriff (as the result of being referred by the Highway Patrol) WPL’s plan to shut down turbines adjacent to roadways while WPL further investigated.
We are managing these turbines based on wind direction. At the present time, 11 Turbines upwind of a road remain offline. We will continue to actively manage the turbines until we can confirm that there is no ice on the blades.

Further information will be provided as part of Bent Tree’s standard reporting processes under its Permit.

Please also contact us if further information is needed in the meantime.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brad Kulka
Brad Kulka, Director
Wind Operations

Cc:

Trisha DeBleekere
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Louise Miltich
Minnesota Department of Commerce
STATE OF MINNESOTA
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IN THE MATTER OF WISCONSIN POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY’S SITE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A LARGE WIND ENERGY CONVERSION SYSTEM

DOCKET NO. ET6657/WS-08-573

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF DANE  
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Annette K. Behnke, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states:

That on the 23rd day of February, 2018, copies of the foregoing Affidavit of Service, together with Wisconsin Power and Light Company’s letter to provide notice to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission of an event pertaining to the Bent Tree Wind Project, was served upon the parties on the attached service list, by e-filing, overnight delivery, electronic mail, and/or first-class mail, proper postage prepaid from Madison, Wisconsin.

/s/ Annette K. Behnke  
Annette K. Behnke

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me  
This 23rd day of February, 2018.

/s/ Kathy M. Chiono  
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin  
My Commission expires February 5, 2021
## Service List Member Information

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