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Mr. Steve Kahl
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**Re: Project: Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.
Infinity Wind Project/Valley City
Case No: PU-13-796**

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Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for your consideration are one original and eight copies of the Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. request for a waiver pursuant to N.D. Admin. Code Section 69-09-09-10.

Should you have any questions please contact the undersigned. Thank you.

With regards,


Andrew C. Sorbo
Senior Manager Legal and Property

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Dear Commissioners:

Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. (Minnkota) operates two (2) wind turbine generators that comprise Minnkota's "Infinity Wind Project". The Infinity Wind Project turbines are located east of Petersburg, ND, along U.S. Highway 2, and east of Valley City, ND, along Interstate 94.

Each wind turbine has a capacity of 900 kW (.9 megawatts). The turbine near Petersburg meter data started October 24, 2001, with the first kWh produced July 12, 2002, and the turbine near Valley City meter data started January 22, 2002, with the first kWh produced July 12, 2002.

The requirements in Case No. PU-13-796, specifically North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) 69-09-09-03, include an annual filing of a certificate of operation due by April first of each year. NDAC 69-09-09-01 defines "Certificate of operation" as an affidavit executed by the owner certifying to the commission a facility's four factors: nameplate generating capacity; annual capacity factor; annual megawatt hour output; and monthly megawatt hour output.

NDAC 69-09-09-10 provides for a waiver of this chapter for the annual certificate of continuing operations wind energy conversion facility designed for or capable of generating no more than five megawatts of electricity for facilities that fall within 69-09-09-03, 69-09-09-06 or

69-09-09-08. It appears that this chapter would allow for a waiver of the above-referenced affidavit. We would respectfully request a waiver for the annual affidavit as to the certificate of operation.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Andrew C. Sorbo", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Andrew C. Sorbo
Senior Manager Legal and Property