



# Minnesota Public Utilities Commission

Daniel P. Wolf, Executive Secretary

## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON COMPLETENESS OF ROUTE PERMIT APPLICATION

Issued: September 22, 2017

**In the Matter of the Application of Freeborn Wind Energy, LLC for a Route Permit  
for the Freeborn Wind Farm to Glenworth Substation 161 kV Transmission Line  
Project in Freeborn County**

**PUC Docket Number: IP-6496/TL-17-322**

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes October 10, 2017 at 4:30pm  
Reply comment period closes October 17, 2017 at 4:30pm

### TOPICS OPEN FOR COMMENT:

- Does the route permit application contain the information required by Minnesota Rules parts 7850.1900?
- Are there any contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the application?
- Should the Commission appoint an advisory task force?

### PROJECT BACKGROUND

On Wednesday, September 20 2017, Freeborn Wind Energy, LLC (Freeborn Wind) filed a route permit application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to construct approximately 7 miles of 161 kilovolt single circuit transmission line in order to interconnect the proposed Freeborn Wind Farm project substation to the Glenworth Substation south of the City of Glenville. The proposed project substation will include overhead and bus structures, circuit breakers, disconnect switches, relay panels, surge arresters, battery banks, a grounding system, and relaying, metering and communications equipment.

The Route Permit Application is submitted under the Alternative Permitting process as set out in Minn. Stat. § 216E.04 and Minn. Rules 7850.2800 to 7850.3900.

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