



## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

*Issued: June 21, 2017*

### **In the Matter of the Application of Freeborn Wind Farm, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the 84 MW Freeborn Wind Farm in Freeborn County**

**PUC Docket Number: IP-6946/WS-17-410**

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes July 6, 2017 at 4:30pm

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#### **Topic/s Open for Comment:**

- Should the Commission find the site permit application complete under Minnesota Rules, Chapter 7854.0500?
- Are there contested issues of fact with respect to the representations made in the applications?
- Should the applications be referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case proceeding?

**Project Background:** On June 15, 2017, Freeborn Wind LLC, an affiliate of Invenergy LLC, filed an application for a Site Permit for an up to 84 megawatt wind project in Freeborn County. The project would include construction of up to 42 wind turbines in Minnesota and additional turbines in Worth County, Iowa. The project would entail construction of associated equipment, gravel access roads, buried electric collection lines, an operations and maintenance facility, a project substation, a permanent meteorological tower and an overhead transmission line. Freeborn Wind, LLC will file a separate high-voltage transmission line route permit application with the Commission as Docket No. IP6946/TL-17-322.

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