

**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD ON
REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN CERTIFICATE OF NEED
FILING REQUIREMENTS**

Issued: November 26, 2018

In the Matter of the Application of Plum Creek Wind Farm, LLC for a Certificate of Need for an up to 414 MW Large Wind Energy Conversion System and 345 kV Transmission Line in Cottonwood, Murray and Redwood Counties, Minnesota

PUC Docket Number: IP-6997/CN-18-699

Comment Period: Initial comment period closes December 10, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.
Reply comment period closes December 17, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Commission.

Topics for Comment: Should the Commission grant the exemptions to the certificate of need application content requirements as requested by Plum Creek Wind Farm, LLC in its November 13, 2018 filing?

Comments may be submitted:

Email: Comments can be emailed to: publicadvisor.puc@state.mn.us.

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Project Description: Plum Creek Wind, LLC (Plum Creek) intends on filing a certificate of need application with the Commission for a 414 megawatt (MW) large wind energy conversion system (LWECS) with an approximate 100,000 acre project footprint to be located in Cottonwood, Murray, and Redwood counties. The project also includes a 25-mile-long 345 kilovolt (kV) transmission line to be built within a 150-foot-wide right-of-way that will interconnect the project at the existing Brookings to Hampton 345 kV transmission line. The transmission line is to be located in Cottonwood and Redwood counties.

Filing Requirements: Utilities, telecommunications carriers, official parties, and state agencies are required to file documents using the Commission's electronic filing system.

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