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Response To: Susan L. Peirce Information Request No. 55
MN Department of Commerce

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Question:

RE: Dairyland Response to OES #34

In the 2007 REO Report to the Legislature, Dairyland reported generation from the following facilities: Tjaden Wind Farm and Chandler Wind Farm. None of these facilities is reported in the Companies recent response to OES #34. Are these facilities still in use by Dairyland? If so, please provide the information requested in OES #34 for each facility.

Response:

It is the intent of Dairyland Power Cooperative to still use the Tjaden Wind Farm and the Chandler Wind Farm. Concerns about these two projects after the 2007 REO Report to the Legislature kept Dairyland from reporting the projects in OES #34. Dairyland Power Cooperative's agreement with Tjaden for the renewable energy credits expired in November 2007. Dairyland Power Cooperative is renegotiating the agreement with Tjaden. The Chandler Wind Farm is metered through Great River Energy. Dairyland Power Cooperative and Great River Energy need to resolve how the renewable credits will be transferred to Dairyland through the Midwest Renewable Energy Tracking System. The remaining projects listed in OES #34 are directly metered by Dairyland Power Cooperative.

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