STATE OF MINNESOTA BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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MPUC: E002/TL-09-1448

In the Matter of Application for a Route Permit for the CapX 2020 Hampton-Rochester-LaCrosse High Voltage Transmission Project

STIPULATION REGARDING EX PARTE COMPLAINT BETWEEN LAYMEN FOR CHRIST, INC. AND WOODLAND CAMP AND

ORONOCO TOWNSHIP, ORONOCO PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION AND JAVON BEA, MEMBER ORONOCO PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Complainent Laymen for Christ, Inc. and Woodland Camp filed a Complaint of Attempted Indirect Ex Parte Communications against Oronoco Township, Oronoco Planning Advisory Commission and Javon Bea, Member of Oronoco Planning Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Respondents Oronoco Township, Oronoco Planning Advisory Commission and Javon Bea, Member of Oronoco Planning Advisory Commission filed a Response to the Complaint; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, under the rules is bound to refer the matter to the Office of Administrative Proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has placed this Ex Parte Complaint on the agenda for the August 2, 2012 Regular Commission Meeting; and

WHEREAS, in the interests of administrative efficiency and conservation, the parties can agree on matters sufficient for Complainant to withdraw the Complaint;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The parties agree that administrative process and ex parte rules specifically are not generally known beyond those participating regularly in administrative proceedings; and
- 2. Respondents are local government officials who have never appeared before the Commission prior to this matter; and
- 3. Respondents agree that their request that people contact the Commission and Commissioners directly could lead to an indirect ex parte communication; and
- The parties ask that the Commission disclose whether any communications were sent directly to Commissioners in this docket, and request copies of such communications; and
- 5. The parties agree that any improper direct communications in this docket should not be open for consideration by the Commission; and
- 6. The parties agree to strictly adhere to ex parte communications statutes and rules going forward; and
- 7. The parties agree that by this Stipulation the Complaint is hereby withdrawn, and that there be no sanctions against any party in this matter; and
- 8. The parties request that this matter be removed from the August 2, 2012 agenda.

Dated: July 27, 2012

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