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RE: Petition for Environmental Assessment Worksheet on the Proposed – DairyRidge – North Star RNG Project

Located in Long Prairie Township, Todd County, Minnesota

Dear Don Wienhold, David Tomsche, and Rodney Taylor:

A petition requesting the preparation of an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) on the proposed DairyRidge-North Star RNG project (aka Project) has been forwarded to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) by the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB). The proposed project involves the expansion of the feedlot and construction of an anaerobic digestion facility. The MPCA will review the petition and related information and determine if an EAW should be prepared.

The project may not receive any permits, nor can the project be started, until this decision is made.

Once the decision is made, the Commissioner will issue findings of fact outlining the agency's decision whether to grant or deny the petition. The MPCA will then notify the petitioner's representative, the project proposer, and other parties of the result of the petition review within five days of the decision, as directed by EQB rules.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Katrina Hapka of the Environmental Review Unit staff, at 651-757-2418.

Sincerely,

Dan R. Card, P.E.

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