



STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

January 19, 2011

The Honorable Julie A. Rosen
Chair, Senate Energy, Utilities and
Energy, Utilities and
Telecommunications Committee
322 Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Ellen R. Anderson
Ranking Minority Member, Senate
Senate Energy, Utilities and
Telecommunications Committee
141 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Bill Ingebrigtsen
Chair, Senate Environment
and Natural Resources Committee
303 Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Linda Higgins
Ranking Minority Member, Senate
Senate, Environment and Natural
Resources Committee
27 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Denny McNamara
Chair, House Environment, Energy
and Natural Resources Policy
and Finance Committee
375 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Bill Hilty
Ranking Minority Member, Energy,
House Environment, Energy and Natural
Resources Policy and Finance Committee
207 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Jean Wagenius
Ranking Minority Member, Environment,
House Environment, Energy and Natural
Resources Policy and Finance Committee
251 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Legislative Report Required by Minn. Stat. § 216F.012, paragraph (c)

Dear Members of the Minnesota Legislature:

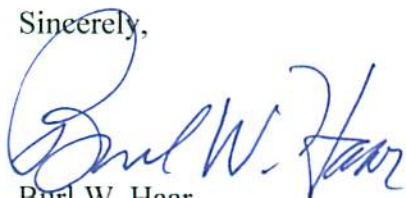
The subject statute requires that the Public Utilities Commission issue an annual report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the House of Representatives and Senate committees

with primary jurisdiction over energy policy and natural resource policy regarding any variances applied for and not granted under paragraph (b) of the same section, relating to wind energy projects and increased setbacks from state lands that may be negotiated with the Department of Natural Resources.

No variances were requested in 2010.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Burl W. Haar". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and "H".

Burl W. Haar
Executive Secretary