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RE: CapX2020  
Our file: 6144

Dear Patty:

Earlier today I filed an application under the Energy Generation and Transmission Siting Act for the CapX2020 partners. The application seeks to site the CapX2020 electrical transmission project in Brookings County. Enclosed please find a check from CapX2020 for \$8,000.00 representing the initial filing fee required.

CapX2020 seeks to permit this line in 2011 to meet commitments for financing and ownership. The project is slated to start construction in Minnesota in 2011 and the construction of the portion line permitted here will be in 2014. This permit is necessary to put the ownership structure in place for the entire project.

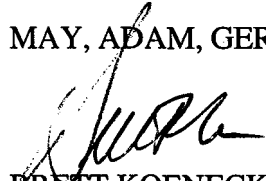
We are pleased to tell you that 12 of the 13 landowners have entered into agreements to host the structure on their property and we look forward to achieving 100% status in that regard very soon.

We stand ready to give notice of the public hearing on the application to affected landowners as found in the siting law. We of course will need to know when the Commission wishes to schedule such a meeting and if you would please contact me in order to coordinate that meeting, I would appreciate it. We wish to send that out November 30, and publish in the local news on December 1 and 8.

On behalf of the CapX2020 staff and the folks at HDR who helped compile this application, we look forward to working through the process to obtain a permit to construct.

Very truly yours,

MAY, ADAM, GERDES & THOMPSON LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brett Koenecke", written over a faint, illegible background.

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Enclosure