

## **Appendix A**

### **List of Landowners**

**Landowner List**

Abigail Jones Trust	c/o Verlon Jones	72277 - 570th Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
Arline J. Mattison		55733 - 725th St	Jackson, MN 56143
Arlis Lucht		73185 - 494th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Art & Delores Rosenbrook		56389 780th St	Jackson, MN 56143
Bernard Janssen		850 Goldfinch St	Jackson, MN 56143
Bill Sirovy		77191 - 558th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Brent Bruse		77191 - 558th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Carol Neal		316 Park St	Jackson, MN 56143
Caryl Morton		56197 - 715th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
City of Jackson, MN		80 West Ashley St	Jackson, MN 56143
County of Jackson, MN		405 4th St., Ste 5	Jackson, MN 56143
Craig Hakes		5557 - 715th St	Jackson, MN 56143
Dallas Hansen	RR 1, Box 44	79802 560th Ave.	Jackson, MN 56143
David & Diane Wells		77219 - 550th Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
David & Suzanne Lovell		56747 - 760th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
David Carter		72720 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
David Nasby	c/o Fairland Management	PO Box 128	Windom, MN 56101
Dawn, Christie, Debra & Michael Stade		49921 - 735th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Dennis L. & Patricia Tyrrell Limited	Partnership	1503 Charlstrom Circle	Okoboji, IA 51355
Dennis Tyrrell Trust		105 N Fourth Street	Estherville, IA 51334
Diane Van Essen	LaVonne Williams, Life Est	803 Burgess Road	Yankton, SD 57078
Donald & Sharon Smith		77730 - 580th Ave	Alpha, MN 56111
Eric Hansen		52434 - 870th St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Dorothy Benson		PO Box 14	Jackson, MN 56143
Emily Drahota		611 Bailey St	Jackson, MN 56143
Evelyn Groshens		5330 Beacon Hill Road	Minnetonka, MN 55345
Eric Hansen & Kendal Ordarza		4703 Highland Ter	Austin, TX 78731
Erickson Truck Sales		75196 Petersburg Road	Jackson, MN 56143
William & Nancy Edlin		74401 - 550th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Everette Ascheman		56142 780th St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Farmers Cooperative Association		105 Jackson St., Box 228	Jackson, MN 56143
Fred Reelz III		73671 - 600th Ave	Alpha, MN 56111
Harold Skow		202 South Hwy	Jackson, MN 56143
Herbert Miller		602 White St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Howard D. Nielsen		55589 - 735th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad Corporation		140 North Phillips Ave.	Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Jack Tatman Trust		1042 320th Street	Spirit Lake, IA 51360
Jackson County Fair Association	c/o County of Jackson, MN	405 4th St., Ste 5	Jackson, MN 56143
James Mitchell Jasper		1319 White St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Joe Ascheman		56167 - 760th St.	Jackson, MN 56143
John & Doroth Dykstra		55297 - 780th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
John Lillberg		76804 - 558th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Lee Mathias		77281 - 558th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Leslie & Marguerite Kleven	c/o KKOJ-DRAQ Radio	PO Box 29	Jackson, MN 56143
Linus Smith		73612 Petersburg Rd.	Jackson, MN 56143
Lorie Bean		115 1 Sverdrup Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Louise S. Robertson Trust	c/o Fairland Management	PO Box 128	Windom, MN 56101
Luella Jones		77277 - 570th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Mark & Barbara Raboin		1114 Sherman St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Mark & Peggy Edlin		73653 US Hwy 71	Jackson, MN 56143

Nasby Family Farms	c/o Fairland Management	PO Box 128	Windom, MN 56101
Neal Perkins		1225 South St	Jackson, MN 56143
Orville & Carrol Sanderson Trust		2113 Ironwood Lane	Ames, IA 50014
Paul & Ferne Jones, Trustees of	the Paul Jones Trust	82511 - 525th Ave.	Jackson, MN 56143
Paul & Wanda Jerouska		56072 750th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Ralph & Dorothy Miller	c/o Steve Handevitd	PO Box 225	Jackson, MN 56143
Richard Skow		72319 - 570th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Randy Stump		74900 Petersburg Road	Jackson, MN 56143
Richard & Jody Withers		116 Lawrence Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Rob Withers		74576 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Robert White		1130 - 320th Ave	Spirit Lake, IA 51360
Robert & Marlene Tewes		75858 US Hwy 71	Jackson, MN 56143
Robert & Sarah Withers		75576 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Roy Aldrich Trust, et al.		227 River Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Rodney & Suzanne Kolander		74067 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Roy & Marianne Harnden		74402 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 56143
Shane Rossow		70270 - 560th Ave	Jackson, MN 55143
Rudolph & Monica Soucek Trust		220 River Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Russell & Joann Winther		55346 790th St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Steve Skow		59331 - 750th Street	Alpha, MN 56143
Sterling Sander		5804 Los Coyotes Drive	Palm Springs, CA 92264
Steve Beckel		76140 Petersburg Road	Jackson, MN 56143
Teresa Sathe, Trustee	c/o Verlon Jones	834 Orient St.	Fairmont, MN 56031
Suzanne Olson		813 Frost Ave.	Jackson, MN 56143
Teresa Luella Sathe Trust, Susanne Louise Olson Trust, Catherine Anne Diamond Trust, Brian Arthur Christenson Trust, Cynthia Ann Christenson Trust, Paul Brian Sathe Trust, Matthew David Sathe Trust			
	c/o Verlon Jones	72277 - 570th Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
Tim & Pamela Williams		270 McClure Ave	Frederick, CO 80530
Thomas & Annette Zebedee		72430 Petersburg Rd	Jackson, MN 56143
Thomas Morton		56197 - 715th Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Verlon Jones Trust	c/o Verlon Jones	72277 - 570th Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
Timothy C. Jensen		RR 1, Box 33	Jackson, MN 56143
Vera Carter		70815 Hwy 71	Jackson, MN 56143
William & Judy Ascheman		56590 780th St.	Jackson, MN 56143
Vincent & Teresa Jones Trustees	c/o Verlon Jones	72277 - 570th Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
Wayne Saathoff		84421 550th Ave.	Jackson, MN 56143
Wisconsin Township	c/o Russell Winther	55346 790 <sup>th</sup> Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Des Moines Township	c/o Mark Eggimann	76349 530 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Jackson, MN 56143
Des Moines Township	c/o Mark Goede	50708 100 <sup>th</sup> Street	Jackson, MN 56143
Petersburg Township	c/o Ken Pell	70578 600 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Jackson, MN 56143

## **Appendix B**

### **Municipalities Correspondence**

**COUNTY OF JACKSON**  
**Office of Environmental Health**  
**Zoning and Planning**

405 Fourth Street, Jackson, MN 56143  
Phone 507-847-2240 • Fax 507-847-6865

**Gordon Olson**

Planning and Environmental Services Director  
gordon.olson@co.jackson.mn.us

**Ben Crowell**

Environmental Services Officer  
ben.crowell@co.jackson.mn.us

September 8, 2008

Ben Kerl  
National Wind  
3033 Excelsior Blvd #525  
Minneapolis MN 55416

Re: Northstar Wind Farm Transmission Line and Associated Facilities

Dear Ben,

Please allow this letter to serve as a record of our meeting on Wednesday May 7, 2008 at the Pizza Ranch in Jackson, MN. The meeting was requested by the developers of the Northstar Wind farm (Ben Kerl from National Wind, LLC and Al Blum from Emmet County Energy, LLC) as well their consultants at Tetra Tech (represented by Rebecca Longley, Michael Ernst and Sean Flannery). Attending on behalf of Jackson County were myself, Tim Stahl, Highway Engineer and Bob Hummel, Highway Supervisor.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the proposed private 10 mile 161kV transmission line that would connect a 200 Megawatt wind farm to be located in Emmet and Dickinson counties in Iowa with an Xcel owned 161kV line that runs parallel to Interstate 90, just north of the City of Jackson. The developers presented their proposed route which begins on County highway 25 a half mile north of the Iowa-Minnesota border and follows the road north for 8 miles as the road becomes 560<sup>th</sup> Ave and then 558<sup>th</sup> Ave and finally ends at the intersection of 558<sup>th</sup> Ave and County Road 14. We understand that whenever possible, the poles will be placed within the right of way, approximately one foot from the road side of the county right-of-way.

At this time, it is Jackson County's preference that the permitting for this transmission line and its associated facilities be permitted at through the State Office of Energy and Security.

Sincerely,



Gordon Olson, Director  
Jackson County Planning & Env. Services

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
BEFORE THE  
MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

David C. Boyd  
J. Dennis O'Brien  
Thomas Pugh  
Phyllis Reha  
Betsy L. Wergin

Chair  
Commissioner  
Commissioner  
Commissioner  
Commissioner

Docket No. IP-6686/CN-08-944

**In the Matter of a Petition for a  
Certificate of Need for a  
161 kV Transmission Line in  
Jackson County, Minnesota**

**AFFIDAVIT OF ALAN BLUM**

STATE OF IOWA            )  
  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF EMMET        )

Alan Blum, being first duly sworn upon oath, states and alleges as follows:

1. I am the Chairman for Emmet County Energy, LLC, and Northstar Transmission, LLC. Emmet County Energy, LLC, is the sole shareholder and 100 percent owner of Northstar Transmission, LLC.

2. On or about October 7, 2008, I spoke via telephone with Mark Goede, Chairman of the Des Moines Township Board of Trustees. During our conversation, I described the Northstar Transmission Line Project and offered to meet with the Des Moines Township Board of Trustees to discuss the project further.

3. On or about October 7, 2008, I spoke via telephone with Dean Albrecht, Administrator for the City of Jackson. During our conversation, I described the Northstar Transmission Line Project and offered to meet with the Jackson City Council to discuss the project further.

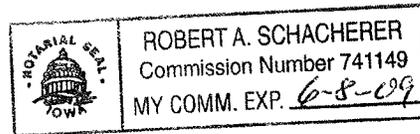
4. On or about October 8, 2008, I sent letters regarding the Northstar Transmission Line Project to Dean Albrecht, Administrator for the City of Jackson; Mark Goede, Chairman for the Des Moines Township Board of Trustees; and Mark Eggimann, Clerk for Des Moines Township. True and correct copies of those letters are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Further affiant saith not.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Alan Blum

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

  
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Notary Public



October 7, 2008

Dean Albrecht  
City Hall  
80 West Ashley St  
Jackson MN, 56143

Re: Northstar Transmission Line and Associated Facilities

Dear Dean,

I am writing on behalf of Northstar Transmission, LLC ("Northstar Transmission"), to describe the 161 kV high voltage transmission line project that Northstar Transmission is developing in Jackson County. Northstar Transmission will be filing a Route Permit Application with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission on or about October 10, 2008.

The proposed 10 mile, 161 kV transmission line would connect a 200 MW wind farm located in Emmet and Dickinson Counties, Iowa with a 161 kV transmission line owned by Xcel Energy that runs parallel to Interstate 90, just north of the City of Jackson. Northstar Transmission is currently in the process of evaluating two alternative points of interconnection, shown on the enclosed map as "POI Option #1" and "POI Option #2." "POI Option #1" would interconnect the proposed transmission line to the new Jackson Substation, which is located north of the City of Jackson and is currently under construction. "POI Option #2" would interconnect the proposed transmission line to the existing Xcel Energy transmission line about one mile east of the City of Jackson, and would require construction of a new switching station near the point of interconnection.

All landowners along the route will receive market-rate compensation for granting easements. All land rights are being acquired voluntarily. Whenever possible, the line will be co-located with existing transmission lines and road rights-of-way. New transmission line structures will be placed approximately one foot from the edge of road rights-of-way.

Northstar Transmission will continue to keep your office apprised of this project so that we can respond to questions and comments. We would be happy to meet with you to discuss the project in more detail.

Please direct questions to Al Blum at 712-380-7272 or [alan.blum@blumandleonard.com](mailto:alan.blum@blumandleonard.com)

Sincerely,



Al Blum  
Chairman, Northstar Transmission, LLC



October 7, 2008

Mark Eggimann  
76349 530<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Jackson MN 56143

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Al Blum  
Chairman, Northstar Transmission, LLC  
Chairman, Emmet County Energy, LLC

October 7, 2008

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50708 100<sup>th</sup> St.  
Jackson MN 56143

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Sincerely,



Al Blum  
Chairman, Northstar Transmission, LLC  
Chairman, Emmet County Energy, LLC

## **Appendix C**

### **Public Utilities Commission Notification Letter**

September 22, 2008

Dr. Burl W. Haar  
Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: Notification of Pending Route Permit Application Under Alternative Permitting Process for the Proposed 161 kV Northstar Transmission Line and Associated Facilities

Dear Dr. Haar:

As required by Minnesota Rules, Part 7849.5500, Subpart 2, Northstar Transmission, LLC is hereby notifying the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) of its intent to submit a route permit application for the above-referenced project under the alternative permitting provisions provided for in Minnesota Rules, Parts 7849.5500 to 7849.5720.

Since the 161 kV Northstar Transmission Line is a high voltage transmission line between 100 and 200 kilovolts, the Northstar Transmission Line and associated facilities (i.e., the proposed Tatman Project Substation and Northstar Switching Station) are eligible for the alternative permitting process pursuant to Minnesota Rules, Part 7849.5500, Subpart 1.C.

Northstar Transmission, LLC anticipates filing a submittal of the route permit application on or after October 2, 2008.

Please contact me via email ([alan.blum@blumandleonard.com](mailto:alan.blum@blumandleonard.com)) or by phone at (712/362-7272) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Northstar Transmission, LLC/Emmet County Energy, LLC

Alan Blum  
Chairman

Cc: Adam Sokolski, MN DOC  
Ben Kerl, National Wind  
Mollie Smith, Fredrikson and Byron, P.A.  
Kelly Doherty, Edison Mission

## **Appendix D**

### **State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Correspondence**

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## Holven, Adam

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**From:** Cinadr, Thomas [Thomas.Cinadr@MNHS.ORG]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 06, 2008 6:44 AM  
**To:** Holven, Adam  
**Subject:** RE: Site File Request  
**Attachments:** Ttemi.bdm

[The file is attached.](#)

Tom Cinadr  
Survey and Information Management Coordinator  
Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office  
Minnesota Historical Society  
345 Kellogg Boulevard West  
St. Paul, MN 55102

651-259-3453

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**From:** Holven, Adam [mailto:adam.holven@ttemi.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 01, 2008 11:17 AM  
**To:** Cinadr, Thomas  
**Subject:** Site File Request

Tom,

Please find attached an excel table of TRSs that I need site file information for including UTM coordinates. Thank you very much for your time.

Thanks,

Adam

**Adam C. Holven** | Environmental Scientist / Archaeologist  
Direct: 612.643.2237 | Main: 612.643.2200 | Fax: 612.643.2201  
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5/22/2008

<b>County</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>SECT</b>	<b>TRS</b>
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