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February 29, 2012

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**BY FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION TO  
[crmontgomery@midamerican.com](mailto:crmontgomery@midamerican.com)**

Re: Update on Wind VII Iowa Project – Docket No. RPU-2009-0003

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

On February 14, 2012, MidAmerican Energy Company filed a request for confidential treatment of certain information filed with the company's update regarding the Wind VII Iowa Project. The filing was made in Docket No. RPU-2009-0003.

On February 15, 2012, Mr. Greg Gackle submitted a request for release of the information that has been filed pursuant to a request for confidential treatment. On February 16, 2012, pursuant to 199 IAC 1.9(8), I provided you with the required notice by letter, indicating that unless MidAmerican were take action by February 29, 2012, seeking a court order requiring that the information be withheld from public release, the information would be released to the public.

This morning Mr. Gackle has informed me that he has reached agreement with MidAmerican concerning this matter and he is withdrawing his request for release of the information. A copy of the agreement is attached to this letter. As a result, the Board will continue to treat the information as confidential pursuant to Rule 1.9, that is, we will not be

releasing the information to the public. In the absence of another request for the information, it will be continue to be held confidential pursuant to the rule and the Board's order granting MidAmerican's request for confidentiality, issued in this docket on February 20, 2012.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at my direct number, 515-725-7333.

Sincerely,

/s/

David J. Lynch  
General Counsel

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February 29, 2012

Mr. Greg Gackle  
2415 18th Street  
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Re: Agreement

Dear Mr. Gackle:

Below, I have set out what I believe is the agreement we reached this morning. If you are in agreement, please sign at the place provided below and PDF or fax it back to me using the contact information above. I will call shortly to see if there is anything we need to discuss.

As I stated in my email of last evening, the Wind VII update MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) on February 14, 2012, was just for the first 593.4 MW of the Wind VII project (placed into service in 2011). By mid-March 2012, we will have all contracts signed with respect to development and construction of the full 1,001 MW (all of which we expect will be placed into service by the end of 2012). Once the contracts have been signed (again, mid-March 2012), we are willing to provide you with a total, overall cost figure for the entire 1,001 MW. This total will contain some element of estimation since there is the possibility that the actual costs will differ from the contract amounts. Again, as stated in the email last night, once the contracts have been signed the sensitivity of the overall (total) numbers will have lessened significantly.

In addition, after we complete the above-mentioned contracts, in mid-March, MidAmerican would file a revised page 1 of our February 14, 2012 update, at the IUB, with no redaction of the overall total cost figure for the first 593.4 MW of Wind VII and the related \$/kW cost and \$/kW cost cap approved by the IUB. We would also make public the percentage figure that is identified, in the redacted version, as the "remaining project cost" estimate. The other numbers on page 1 of the February 14, 2012 update would remain confidential.

You have agreed that you will inform the IUB's General Counsel, David Lynch, that you are withdrawing your objection to MidAmerican's confidential filing concerning Wind VII. You have also agreed that you will wait for the above-mentioned cost information, for the 1,001 MW, until MidAmerican has completed the contracting process for the same, and you agree that MidAmerican need not file the revised page 1 of the February 14, 2012 update until that same contracting process has been completed—again we expect all of that to be completed by mid-March 2012. I will return to the office on March 19, 2012 and will plan to take matters in hand at that time.

Sincerely,

Agreed to by:

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Greg Gackle  
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Date: February 29, 2012