

August 30, 2021

Attn: Bill Storm
Minnesota Department of Commerce
85 7th Place East, Suite 280
St. Paul, MN 55101

Re: Becker Expansion Plans and Sherco Project- eDocket 20-891, 21-189, 21-190, 21-191

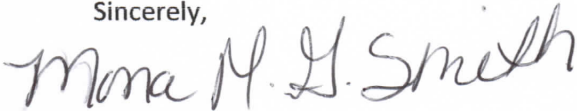
Dear Commissioners,

As participating landowners of the Sherco solar project, and on behalf of CJ Gray Farms, LLC, we would like to voice our full support for the development of the Sherco solar project.

In talking with our neighbors, we learned that the City of Becker had requested that our lands enrolled in the solar project be set aside for economic development in lieu of the solar development. The city did not engage us in these discussions, and we have no interest in waiting for a future development opportunity that may not materialize. We have made a business decision to enroll our land in the solar project, and look forward to the project being constructed.

We support the Sherco solar project as it will provide income to our families for many years. We also support the construction and operations jobs it will create, and the clean renewable energy it will produce.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mona M. G. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mona" being the most prominent.

Mona MG Smith
CJ Gray Farms, LLC

CC: Lisa Biegert CJ Gray Farms, LLC
Jill Gray-Reichel CJ Gray Farms, LLC