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Mayor, City Council and the Citizens of Rolla

SUBJECT: MoPEP and Renewable Energy

Tonight I would like to share some information with the City regarding the Missouri Public Energy Pool's (MoPEP) renewable energy resources in its portfolio of power supply options.

The Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission (MJMEUC), on behalf of MoPEP, signed a contract in 2006 with the Wind Capital Group for 5MW of wind power from the Loess Hills Wind Farm located in the City of Rock Port, Missouri. This project is currently under construction and is scheduled to be in operation by the end of the year. This project builds on MoPEP's already strong renewable position which includes hydro-electric power and landfill gas powered generation.

In addition, MoPEP has partnered in two generation projects located at ethanol producing plants in northern Missouri. These generation plants will provide low cost power to the MoPEP cities while assisting in the production of ethanol, a renewable fuel source produced by Missouri's corn farmers. MoPEP is also pursuing a landfill gas project with the City of Lamar, and is investigating future hydro-electric and other renewable resource power projects.

MJMEUC and MoPEP are committed to the pursuit of cost effective renewable resources, particularly those that can be developed locally. These projects are being pursued as a part of MJMEUC's goal of developing long term, cost based assets to provide members stable, long term energy prices. This portfolio includes new clean coal projects which will be among the cleanest burning plants in the country along with two of the most efficient gas fired projects in the state.

The MoPEP portfolio, as a percent of energy supplied by renewable energy, makes MJMEUC and MoPEP perhaps one of the leading suppliers of renewable energy in the State of Missouri.

I would also like to add, RMU has always been an active supporter of renewable energy. The UMR Solar House(s) included the installation of the first "net meters" in Rolla which measure both energy used and energy produced. RMU implemented the net metering program in compliance with the Missouri Consumer Clean Energy Act and is proud to cooperate with the students and faculty of our local University on their academic endeavors.

Rolla Municipal Utilities is proud of our affiliation with the Missouri Public Utility Alliance (MPUA), Missouri Public Energy Pool (MoPEP) and Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission (MJMEUC) and will continue to support their efforts to provide the Citizens of Rolla, the City of Rolla and Rolla Municipal Utilities with energy from cost effective renewable resources.

Sincerely,

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