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QUOTES ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S PRELIMINARY DECISION ON ALLIANT CONTRACT FOR BEAVER DAM DATA CENTER

MADISON, Wis. – The following quotes were issued in response to the [Public Service Commission's](#) (PSC) decision on Alliant's Individual Contract Rate Agreement refile to serve a data center campus under construction in Beaver Dam ([Docket 6680-TE-115](#)):

Alex Beld, Communications Director, RENEW Wisconsin

As noted by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, the relationship between utilities and the data centers they power impacts us all. And we agree that it should be easy for us to make sure they are paying for their own energy and infrastructure. As more of these facilities come online, we must also focus our attention on the plan to power them. Ideally, these facilities and the companies operating them will help us expand our renewable energy footprint rather than stall our progress on combating climate change.

- For an interview with Alex Beld, contact abeld@renewwisconsin.org

Brett Korte, Staff Attorney, Clean Wisconsin

"While the PSC approved Alliant's contract, with modifications, for Meta's Beaver Dam data center, the Commissioners recognized that continued one-off, bilateral contract negotiations are not sufficiently protective of Wisconsin families and small businesses. Today's PSC decision requiring Alliant to develop a tariff for future data centers will result in a consistent, transparent framework that helps protect the public interest. As data centers continue expanding across Wisconsin, Clean Wisconsin is fighting to ensure utility customers are protected from rising costs and that new energy demand from data centers accelerates investment in cleaner energy resources. A data center tariff will help us achieve those objectives."

- For an interview, contact Jacob Ahrens-Balwit at jbalwit@cleanwisconsin.org

Britnie Remer, Organizing Director, 350 Wisconsin

Today, the Public Service Commission highlighted the importance of transparency and oversight: accountability is a must, and it cannot be bypassed. The Commission also recognized that protecting Wisconsinites from subsidizing billion-dollar data centers needs to be front and center when it comes to these massive projects. With more data center proposals inevitable, requiring tariff filings in the future will ensure large energy customers pay for their costs, not our families and small businesses.

- For an interview, contact britnie.remer@350wisconsin.org

Cassie Steiner, Senior Campaign Coordinator, Sierra Club - Wisconsin

Today's decision is a result of Wisconsinites being loud and clear: We don't want to subsidize data centers. The PSC heard that message and made a choice to protect Wisconsin families, lands, and water –not billionaires or Big Tech. Requiring a new large customer tariff will protect us from shouldering the costs for Big Tech, and we appreciate the commission for standing with Wisconsinites' resounding 'NO.'

- For an interview, contact cassie.steiner@sierraclub.org

Robin Lisowski, Senior Director, Slipstream

Wisconsinites deserve strong safeguards to ensure a clean and affordable energy system now and in the future. By ensuring that very large customers pay their own way, the Commission upholds the public interest and shines a light on the need for transparent and long-term resource planning.

- For an interview, contact rlisowski@slipstreaminc.org

Tom Content, Executive Director, Citizens Utility Board

Today's vote is an important win for CUB and for Alliant Energy customers. The PSC ordered Alliant to file a much more transparent plan for all future data center projects. And for the Beaver Dam project in particular, the commissioners made critical changes our team sought so that customers have greater assurance that they will be protected from paying costs Meta should be paying.

- For an interview, contact content@cubwi.org

Tony Wilkin Gibart, Executive Director, Midwest Environmental Advocates

"Wisconsinites deserve transparency and a fair accounting of the costs before regulators sign off on projects of this scale. The public has a right to know what's being proposed, who profits, and who pays."

- For an interview with Tony, contact MEA Communications Director Peg Sheaffer at psheaffer@midwestadvocates.org

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ABOUT POWER WISCONSIN FORWARD

The Power Wisconsin Forward campaign is organized on the foundational truth that methane gas infrastructure is bad for our people, planet and pocketbooks. Supported by the Clean Economy Coalition of Wisconsin (CECW) and its more than 50 partner organizations, the campaign is focused on following the science and educating Wisconsinites and activating change to enable a cleaner energy future for our state that creates jobs, builds energy reliability and saves people money. Learn more and get involved at www.powerwisconsinforward.com