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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF $$	) PRB-3835-G
BLUESTEM ENERGY SOLUTIONS, LLC, )	
HEADQUARTERED IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA, )	
REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT)	)
A 37.36 MEGAWATT NATURAL GAS	PROTEST OF
GENERATION FACILITY AND RELATED )	NEBRASKA PUBLIC
FACILITIES IN GAGE COUNTY, NEBRASKA. )	POWER DISTRICT

COMES NOW, Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD"), a public corporation and political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, and protests the above captioned application for the following reasons:

- 1. NPPD is an electric supplier in the State of Nebraska owning and/or operating more than 3000 MW of electric generation.
- 2. The application presents legal and factual issues which are unprecedented since the creation of the Power Review Board in 1963.
- 3. The application is contrary to the public policy of Nebraska established by the Nebraska Legislature.
- 4. Intervenor City of Beatrice and its Board of Public Works lack statutory authority to enter into an agreement to purchase capacity from the proposed generating facility.
- 5. Existing power supply facilities in Nebraska and the Southwest Power Pool can adequately and most economically provide the City of Beatrice's capacity needs without construction of a \$38.5 million generation project.
- 6. Nebraska and the Southwest Power Pool currently have surplus generation capacity.
- 7. The proposed generating facility will not serve the public convenience and necessity.

- 8. The proposed generating facility will result in unnecessary duplication of facilities which will be detrimental for Nebraska customers of existing generation facilities located in this state.
- 9. The proposed generation facility will not most economically and feasibly provide the electric service in the State of Nebraska.

For the foregoing reasons, NPPD respectfully requests the application be denied.

Dated the 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT, Protestant

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, John C. McClure, Vice President and General Counsel of Nebraska Public Power District, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Protest in PRB-3835-G has been served upon the following parties by mailing a copy of the same to the addresses listed below, via United States mail, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016.

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