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My name is Bo Massner, and I am the owner of McGinnis Appliance Heating and Cooling. We are an appliance and HVAC small business serving agricultural operations across Minnesota like Riverview. I am writing in FULL SUPPORT of their proposed West River Dairy expansion in Stevens County.

Our company has been around for over 50+ years. When the first dairy started in Stevens county we were there from the beginning helping with the design of heating and cooling systems in the apartments and housing, appliances for kitchens and laundry all around the dairy to chiller systems that cool the milk and heat in the required buildings and around the works areas for the cows. From my personal experience first hand on the dairies, Riverview has been a very supportive customer of ours. Every time I get to go work out in the barns, I am amazed at how well the cows and facilities are taken care of. The cows are always happy and curious when I walk by their spacious areas. To me everyone should take a tour to see how amazing this operation truly is. We are very lucky to have them be a part of our community.

Through our work in the agricultural sector, we depend on a strong and stable livestock industry. Operations like Riverview's create a strong and consistent economic activity that supports local jobs, drives investment, and allows businesses like ours to grow and reinvest in our communities. It allows our small business to donate and give back to local groups that also help the Stevens county community thrive.

The proposed expansion represents a meaningful economic benefit to the region. It will generate more demand for local business like ours, support both construction and long-term employment, and contribute to the vitality of rural communities that rely on agriculture.

From our direct experience, Riverview is a very professional and reliable partner that contributes positively to the communities where it operates. Their presence greatly strengthens the local economy and supports a broad network of agricultural and service-related businesses.

Projects like this are essential to maintaining a competitive and sustainable rural economy in Minnesota. Continued investment in agriculture ensures that local businesses can continue to provide jobs, services, and economic stability close to Home.

No EIS is needed as the state environmental review process is rigorous and very sufficient. I respectfully encourage your support and APPROVAL of this important project.

Sincerely,
Bo Massner (Owner/McGinnis Appliance Heating & Cooling)