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West River Dairy wants to more than double its industrial-style dairy operation in Morris, Minnesota, to become the largest indoor dairy feedlot in Minnesota history. West River Dairy has the financial wherewithal for this massive expansion. They have the financial wherewithal to run multiple operations here in Minnesota and in other states. They have the financial wherewithal to complete a thorough Environmental Impact Statement. And yet, West River Dairy doesn't want to complete an Environmental Impact Statement to reassure Minnesotans that this expansion would be safe for our land, our water, our air, our fish and wildlife and our public health. Why not? In the face of that very reticence, the MPCA must stand firm and do the job of pollution control oversight on behalf of the citizens of Minnesota and require West River Dairy to complete a full and thorough Environmental Impact Statement.