

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency ATTN: Charles Peterson 520 Lafayette Road St. Paul, MN 55155

My name is Blake L. Criswell, CFS, and I am the owner and consultant of GotWhey, LLC, a Minnesota registered LLC, consulting to dairy manufacturing plants across the United State and in Minnesota like Riverview. I am writing in **full support** of their proposed West River Dairy expansion in Stevens County.

Through my work in the dairy manufacturing industry, responsible, strong, and stable milk production is key to maintaining a high-quality supply of milk in the region.

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

From my direct experience, Riverview is a professional and reliable partner that contributes positively to the communities where it operates. Their presence 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,**

Blake L. Criswell, CFS  
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