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John Remmele (Via E-Mail) 209 Driftwood Lane Redwood Falls, MN 56283 Sandra Hennen, City Clerk (Via E-Mail) Echo City Hall P. O. Box 215 Echo, MN 56237-0215

Lynn Kuehn, Township Clerk Echo Town Board 5988 - 110th Avenue Echo, MN 56237

Re: D-495 Echo/Echo Township (Remmele Property; 90.75 acres)

Dear Mr. Remmele, Ms. Hennen and Ms. Kuehn:

After reviewing all pertinent correspondence in the file and input from the parties, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, through his designee, invoked the authority under Minnesota Statutes Section 414.01, subd. 16, requiring the petitioners and the local units of government to meet to discuss the possible resolution of contested issues in this matter.

The petitioners, the City of Echo and Echo Township are directed to meet at least three times over the next 60 days to discuss resolution of issues raised by the petition and other issues of mutual concern. The parties shall designate a person to report the results of such meetings to the Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit at the conclusion of the time period. The time frame for these discussions shall begin immediately and conclude by Monday, October 29, 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Star Holman at <u>star.holman@state.mn.us</u> or 651-361-7909.

Sincerely.

Timothy J. O'Malley

Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit

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