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Docket Number: A-7771

City of Cottonwood M.S. 414.033, Subd. 5 Ordinance No. 2011-4

Dear Mr. Schirmer:

On June 28, 2011, the Office of Administrative Hearings approved the above ordinance in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 414, and the Rules of Procedure. The annexation is final upon the date the ordinance is approved.

The law requires that a copy of the annexation ordinance must be delivered immediately by the governing body of the municipality to the appropriate county auditor or auditors, and filed with the township. We recommend that you also file the annexation ordinance with the County Recorder. *This office will file a copy of the ordinance with the Secretary of State.* However, you must now complete the election precinct boundary change process in coordination with the Office of the Secretary of State.

That pursuant to Ordinance No. 2011-4, and the letter dated June 22, 2011 from Allison Vandelotte, Lucas Township Clerk, the City of Cottonwood will reimburse Lucas Township based on a three year schedule with a percentage of base taxes reimbursed to the Township as follows: 2012 (75%), 2013, (50%), and 2014 (25%).

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If you have any questions, please contact me or Star Holman at 651-361-7909 or state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

Timothy/J. O'Malley

Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit

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