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**Re: Letter of support: Proposal to Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments (RISA) program**

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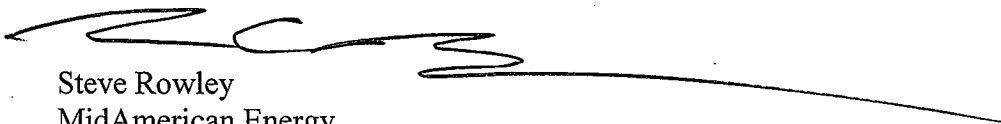
Dear Sara,

I am writing to voice my support for your proposal (lead PI Gene Takle) entitled: Midwest Consortium for Climate Assessment (MiCCA), to be submitted to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association - Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments (RISA) program.

We at MidAmerican are a major player in the development and expansion of wind energy in the Midwest. Inter-annual variability in power production is a fancy way for us to announce we have missed our revenue forecast, so we are quite interested improving our understanding of intra- and inter-annual variability of wind speeds and energy density that your team might be able to provide. As we look ahead to even greater expansion of the wind energy industry within the Midwest I believe we will also benefit from your proposed analysis of possible changes in the wind resource and other external conditions under climate change scenarios.

I wish you good luck with your proposal and look forward to working with you to ensure a bright future for the wind energy industry in the Midwest.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Steve Rowley', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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