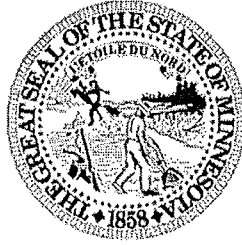


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**Governor Tim Walz**

President of the Senate

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

**Cole Funseth**

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

**Rural Electrical Supplier  
Board of Electricity**

Effective: March 14, 2023

Expires: December 31, 2025

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed March 9, 2023.



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**Tim Walz**  
Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

**Steve Simon**  
Secretary of State

Reappointment

Filed March 9, 2023  
Office of the Minnesota  
Secretary of State  
Steve Simon

# Cole Funseth, P.E.

3425 Rosewood Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55441 - (608) 628-8337 - cfunseth@gmail.com

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## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Over a decade of experience in the electric utility field including design, operations and maintenance, and construction support for transmission, substations, and generators
- Licensed Professional Engineer currently pursuing their MBA degree

## EXPERIENCE

**Great River Energy** – Maple Grove, MN

September 2015 – Present

*Manager, Generation Engineering*

- Overall engineering and capital project support for generation plant efforts
- Oversight for engineering, technician, and intern staff members
- Development and implementation of department operating procedures and standards
- Subject matter expert in multiple fields and liaison between internal departments

**Black & Veatch** – Bloomington, MN

January 2014 – September 2015

*Electrical Engineer*

- Physical layout and control design for substations ranging from 13-230kV
- Mentor for engineering interns including recruitment and program expansion
- Development of calculations including lightning protection, grounding, and clearances
- Evaluations of electrical suppliers and subcontractors for a variety of projects

**Mortenson Construction** – Minneapolis, MN

January 2011 – December 2013

*Electrical Engineer*

- On-site field engineer for renewable energy construction projects
- Provided work guidance and quality assessments for electrical contractors and crews
- Assembly of self-perform estimates for collection, substation, and transmission line installations as well as vendor/subcontractor RFQs
- Contract development including scopes of work, terms and conditions, and schedules

## EDUCATION

**University of St. Thomas** – Opus College of Business

*Master of Business Administration (MBA) - Expected Graduation 2023*

**University of Minnesota - Twin Cities**

*Bachelor of Science - Electrical Engineering (BSEE)*

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Professional Engineer (PE) License – State of Minnesota
- Board of Electricity Member, Rural Electric Supplier – State of Minnesota
- CSE Mentor Program – University of Minnesota

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October 26, 2022

Office of the Secretary of State  
180 State Office Building  
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Re: Board of Electricity, Electrical Supplier In Rural Area

I am interested in applying to the open position for "Electrical Supplier In Rural Area" on the State of Minnesota Board of Electricity.

I am a current Board of Electricity member who works for Great River Energy, a Minnesota not-for-profit generation and transmission co-operative that supplies electricity to 28 member suburban and rural electric cooperatives. My main responsibilities include engineering and project management support for our Minnesota based generating facilities. My experience prior to this position included electrical substation design for a large consulting firm and field engineering support for a renewable construction firm based in Minnesota.

As a licensed professional engineer in Minnesota and representative of a rural electric cooperative, I feel I would be a meaningful addition to the Board of Electricity. I've had the privilege of working in both office and field environments and welcome the continued opportunity to share and learn from others in the industry.

If there are any questions or comments you might have, please feel free to contact me (763) 445-5812.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cole Funseth'.

Cole Funseth  
cfunseth@grenergy.com

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## Part I: Position Sought

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**Agency Name:** Board Of Electricity  
**Position:** Electrical Supplier In Rural Area

## Part II: Applicant Information

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**Name:** Cole Funseth  
**Phone:**  
**County:** Hennepin  
**Mn House District:** 42B  
**US House District:** 3  
**Recommended by the Appointing Authority:** False

## Part III: Appending Documentation

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### Cover Letter and Resume

Type	File Type
Cover Letter	application/pdf
Resume	application/pdf

### Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

Type	File Name
No additional documents found.	

**Veteran:** No Answer

## Part IV: Signature

**EVO PDF Tools Demo**

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**Signature:** Cole Funseth  
**Date:** 10/27/2022 8:04:34 AM

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