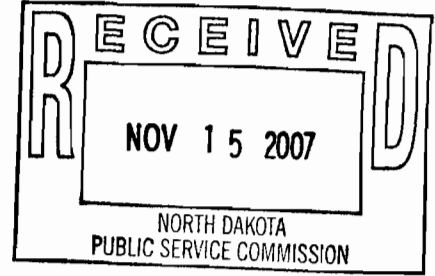


## Just Wind - Wind Farm Development

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November 12, 2007

Ilona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue Dept. 408  
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RE: Chapter 49-22 NDCC.  
Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting.  
Certificate of Site Compatibility  
Certificate of Corridor Compatibility  
Permit for a Transmission Facility

Dear Secretary Jeffcoat-Sacco:

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Approximately a month or so ago, I visited with Mr. Jerry Lein about the possibility of using the already supplied information to fulfill those requirements. Based on that conversation, Mr. Lein conveyed to me that the administration thought that would work. Mr. Lein was going to review the information provided and comment on any items that might need to be addressed. Having not heard anything and being confident that we have provided all information available at this time regarding our project, I have enclosed a check for the \$100,000 assessed fee, for the Siting Application, necessary to move our project forward. As project information becomes available, we will forward updates to you. If you have any further questions or need any additional information, please contact me at 612-245-6608. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeffrey L. Metzger.



# Public Service Commission

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February 23, 2007

Jeffrey L. Metzger  
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Dear Mr. Metzger:

Re: Case No. PU-07-54

On February 23, 2007, the Commission acknowledged Just Wind – Wind Farm Development's letter of Intent and granted Just Wind – Wind Farm Development's request to shorten the one year waiting period between filing a letter of intent and a siting application to one day. The commission also assesses a filing fee of \$100,000, which is payable upon the filing of the application.

A copy of the motion is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia Miller".

Patricia Miller  
Public Utilities Division

Enclosure

**APPROVED**

**MOTION**

DATE: 2-23-07  
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**February 23, 2007**

**Just Wind – Wind Farm Development  
Wind Farm – Logan County  
Siting Application**

**Case No. PU-07-54**

I move the Commission acknowledge the Letter of Intent, shorten the one year waiting period between filing a letter of intent and a siting application to one day, and assess a filing fee of \$100,000 in Case No. PU-07-54, Just Wind LLC's proposed 192 MW wind farm in Logan County, North Dakota.

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September 12, 2007

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Proposed Timetable:

Due to the pressure on the wind industry at this time, a timeline is both best guess, and anticipated. As mentioned in the report, some items are complete while others are in process. A number of studies are in process as well as planned to start. The transmission Queue process can be variable. At this time anticipated Commercial Operation is expected to be by December 31, 2009. That is for Phase 1 of the project. Phase 2 is expected to start sometime in the near future.

The reason for submitting the Ten Year Plan at this time is to meet the required July 1<sup>st</sup> timeline. Just Wind will be submitting its Site Application to the North Dakota Public Service Commission sometime after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007. Just Wind plans to start site survey and environmental studies shortly. Full scale construction is dependent on a number of items that yet need to be completed. Upon successful completion of those items, Just Wind anticipates to start construction in the fall of 2007.

Pollutants:

Wind is a non-polluting source of renewable energy. Just Wind will work closely with the necessary agencies to ensure minimum environmental impact at or near the Development site. Some items have been identified in the report.

## **Section J:**

### Regional Coordination:

Depending on the outcome of Requests For Proposals (RFPs), with certain power companies, Just Wind hopes to be a Designated Network Resource for regional power companies to help them meet their growing need for power production. The Interconnection Process as well as the Transmission Service Request, helps determine a coordinated regional plan to meet energy needs as well as system reliability.

## **Section K:**

### Environmental:

The report at this time describes efforts to minimize the environmental impact at and around the Development site. Environmental reviews are planned to be an ongoing process at or around the development site throughout the term of the project. The wind farm project will contribute to energy independence from foreign sources as well as help in the fight against global warming by being a non-polluting, environmentally friendly, affordable renewable energy source. As environmental reviews and additional study results are gathered, that information will be forwarded to the PSC.

## **Section L:**

### Projected Demand:

Based on the Annual Energy Outlook, a report by the Department of Energy/ Energy Information Administration, the Official Energy Statistics from the U. S. Government, continued growth in electricity use is expected in all sectors. Total electricity sales increase by 50 percent in the AEO2006 reference case, from 2004 to 2030. The largest increase is in the commercial sector, as service industries continue to drive economic growth. By customer sector, electricity demand grows by 75 percent from 2004 to 2030 in the commercial sector, by 47 percent in the residential sector, and by 24 percent in the industrial sector. Just Wind plans to be able to help meet the electrical needs of the region, with this project and future projects.

Conclusion:

If additional information is needed, please contact me. My contact information is in the report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey L. Metzger.