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Via Electronic Mail

Mr. Steve Kahl
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In re: Velva Windfarm, LLC
Decommissioning
Case No. PU-10-109
Our File No. 010268-000001

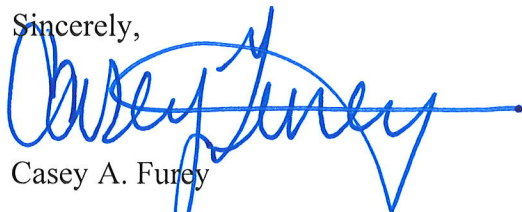
Dear Mr. Kahl:

I am writing on behalf of Velva Windfarm, LLC (“Velva”) regarding the Commission’s decommissioning rulemaking in Case No. PU-19-291 that establishes new decommissioning requirements for non-jurisdictional wind facilities effective July 1, 2020. Velva owns and operates the approximate 12-megawatt Velva Wind Energy Conversion System located in McHenry County which became operational in December 2005. Velva previously filed a proposed decommissioning plan and financial assurance with the Commission in Case No. PU-10-109. At the time of filing, the Commission’s decommissioning rules did not extend to non-jurisdictional facilities. Thus, no action was taken on Velva’s filings.

In accordance with the PU-19-291 decommissioning rulemaking, Velva is actively working with its contractors to review and update its prior decommissioning plan. Once complete, Velva will file its decommissioning plan and a corresponding proposed financial assurance with the Commission. However, Velva anticipates that these filings will not be ready to submit until after the rules’ effective date of July 1, 2020. Velva has communicated with and notified Commission counsel and staff regarding its efforts to come into compliance with the Commission’s new decommissioning rules. In accordance with Commission counsel and staff’s recommendations, Velva submits this status filing to provide notice of its ongoing compliance efforts, and to provide notice that Velva anticipates filing an updated decommissioning plan and corresponding financial assurance by mid to late August 2020, or sooner.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Casey A. Furey". The signature is stylized with a large initial 'C' and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Casey A. Furey

cc: Jerry Lein (via email)
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