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Mr. Darrell Nitschke
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Dear Mr. Nitschke:

In re: Acciona Energy North America Corporation 2012 Ten-Year Plan

On behalf of Acciona Energy North America Corporation, we hereby submit its Ten-Year Plan pursuant to North Dakota Century Code § 49-22-04 and North Dakota Administrative Code Chapter 69-06-02.

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Ten-Year Plan to:
County Auditors:
Dickey, McHenry and McIntosh Counties
Greg Rice
Notice to:
State Agencies and Officers designated in
§ 69-06-01-05, N.D. Adm. Code.

TEN YEAR PLAN: 2012 THROUGH 2022
TATANKA WIND POWER, LLC
VELVA WINDFARM, LLC

Pursuant to Section 49-22-04 of the North Dakota Century Code and Chapter 69-06-02 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, Tatanka Wind Power, LLC ("Tatanka") and Velva Windfarm, LLC ("Velva"), submit to the North Dakota Public Service Commission the following Ten Year Plan for years 2012 through 2022.

§49-22-04 (1): A description of the general location, size, and type of all facilities to be owned or operated by the utility during the ensuing ten years, as well as those facilities to be removed from service during the ten year period.

Tatanka and Velva are each wholly-owned subsidiaries of Acciona Wind Energy USA LLC ("Company"). Tatanka operates as a 180 MW wind farm that is sited on lands in both North and South Dakota and began commercial operations during July 2008. The North Dakota operations are located in Ashley, North Dakota and extend to Dickey and McIntosh Counties and south into McPherson County, South Dakota. The generation infrastructure consists of 120 1.5 MW wind turbine generators, of which sixty-one (61) wind turbines, a project substation and approximately thirteen (13) miles of 230kV interconnection line is located in North Dakota.

Velva operates as an 11.88 MW wind farm located in Velva, North Dakota and is sited entirely in McHenry County. The generation infrastructure consists of 18 0.66 MW wind turbine generators, a project substation and approximately one-hundred (100) feet of 115kV interconnection line.

The Company does not currently anticipate any changes to the present generation capacity of the aforementioned facilities.

§49-22-04 (2): An identification of the location of the tentative preferred site for all energy conversion facilities and the tentative location of all transmission facilities on which construction is intended to be commenced with the ensuing five years and such other information as may be required by the commission. The site and corridor identification shall be made in compliance with the criteria published by the commission pursuant to section 49-22-05.1.

Tatanka is located in Ashley, North Dakota and extends into Dickey and McIntosh Counties. The attached map (Exhibit A-Tatanka) provides the location of the operations.

Velva is located in Velva, North Dakota in McHenry County. The attached map (Exhibit B-Velva) provides the location of the operations.

The Company has no firm plans for development of additional utility investment at this time.

§49-22-04 (3): A description of the efforts by the utility to coordinate the plan with other utilities so as to provide a coordinated regional plan for meeting the utility needs of the region.

Tatanka has secured a 180 megawatt Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (“LGIA”) dated February 28, 2005 among Tatanka, Midwest Independent System Operator (“MISO”) and Montana-Dakota Utilities Company (“MDU”). Tatanka owns a substation on the project site, along with approximately thirteen (13) miles of 230kV double-circuited interconnection line that is interconnected to the MDU 230kV transmission line, which connects to the MDU Wishek and Ellendale substations. Tatanka is located in the service territory of the Western Area Power Administration (“WAPA”). MISO serves as both Regional Transmission Organization (“RTO”) and Independent System Operator. Tatanka is a party to a power purchase agreement with Macquarie Energy LLC entered into during June 2008 that continues through May 2013.

Velva is party to an Interconnection and Operating Agreement dated September 13, 2005 among Velva, MISO and Northern States Power Company d/b/a/ Xcel Energy (“Excel”). In addition to the wind turbines, Velva owns a substation and approximately one-hundred (100) feet of 115kV interconnection line that interconnects to the Excel 115kV transmission line. As with Tatanka, Velva is located in the WAPA service territory and operates within the MISO system. Velva is party to a renewable energy purchase agreement with Excel entered into during May 2004 for a term of twenty (20) years.

§49-22-04 (4): A description of the efforts to involve environmental protection and land-use planning agencies in the planning process, as well as other efforts to identify and minimize environmental problems at the earliest possible stage in the planning process.

During development and construction of Tatanka wind farm, the Company engaged Westwood Professional Services (“Westwood”) to complete required environmental and land-use studies, filing and permits required by federal agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“USACE”), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“USFWS”) and Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”).

In addition, Westwood also provided services regarding environmental and land-use studies, filings and permits for various North Dakota agencies, including:

- North Dakota Department of Fish & Game;
- North Dakota Department of Health;
- North Dakota Department of Transportation;
- North Dakota Public Service Commission;
- North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office.

Tatanka continues to work with both federal and state agencies to ensure wind farm operations suitably co-exist with the environment.

Velva completed similar environmental and land-use studies, filing and permits required by both federal and state agencies and continues to ensure wind farm operations suitably co-exist with the environment.

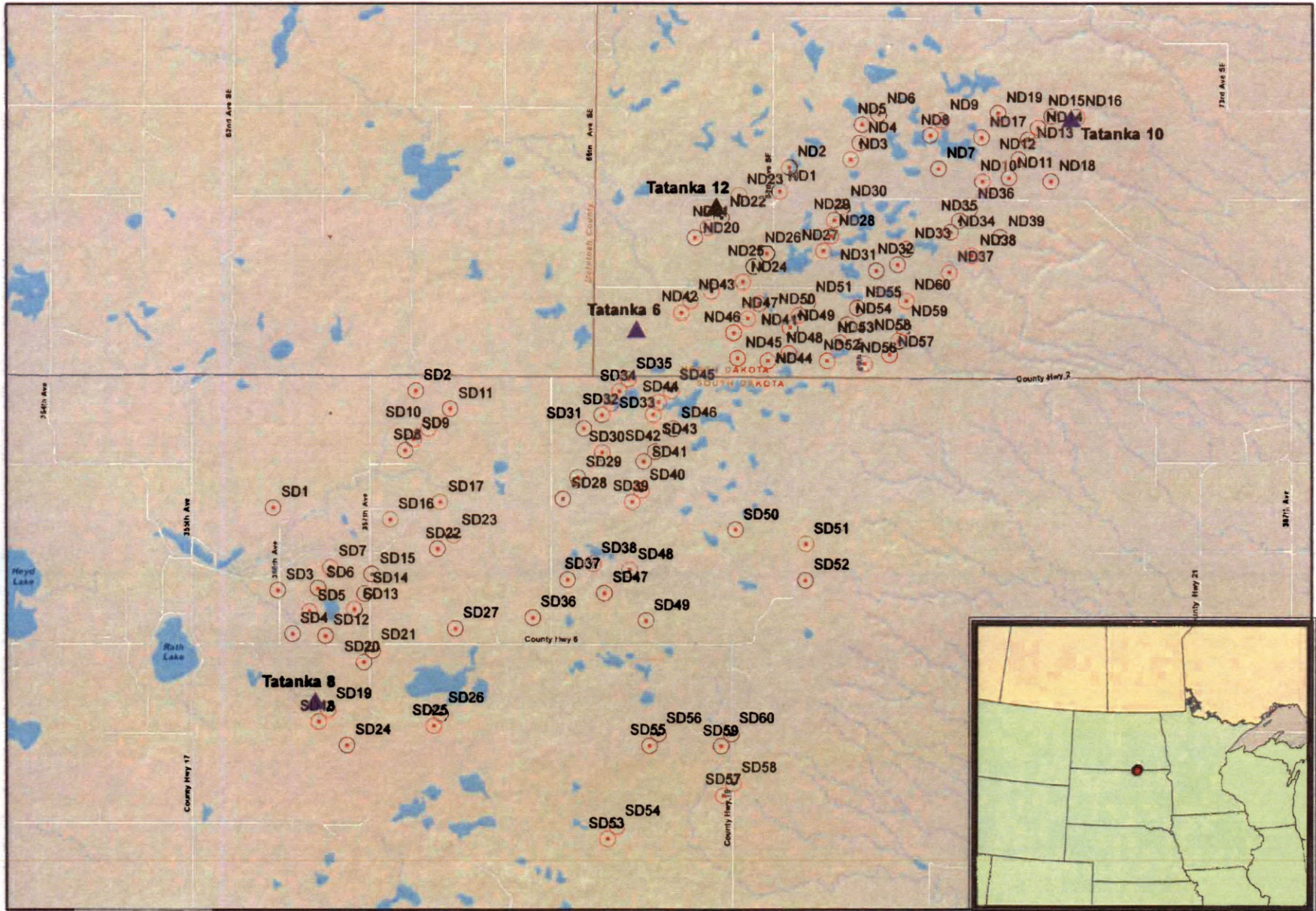
§49-22-04 (5): A statement of the projected demand for the service rendered by the utility for the ensuing ten years and the underlying assumptions for the project, with that information being as geographically specific as possible, and a description of the manner and extent to which the utility will meet the projected demands.

During the 2007 legislative session, North Dakota passed House Bill 1506 (codified as North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-02-28) that established a renewable energy objective of ten percent (10%) of all electricity sold in the state would be obtained from renewable and recycled energy by 2015.

The MISO Transmission Expansion Plan for 2012 states that approximately 5,400 MW of coal generation could be retired in the MISO system by 2015, and that the MISO region needs to add between 4,484 and 11,290 MW of new capacity, or 3,865 and 9,733 MW of demand reduction, to meet minimum planning reserve margins by 2022 . Further, in addition to the existing 13,000 MW of wind generation currently in-service or with a signed interconnection agreement in MISO, an incremental 16 GW of capacity may be needed by 2025 to meet state renewable mandates. In addition, the MISO Board of Directors approved the largest Midwest transmission expansion in decades in MTEP11. This portfolio of 17 MVP transmission projects have now been integrated into MISO's future year MTEP12 planning models. MVPs relieve a major part of the future congestion internal to MISO by delivering wind and other generation energy more efficiently. Because of MVP congestion relief, MISO finds less need for major new economically justified transmission expansion.

Both the Tatanka and Velva projects are generating energy that is delivered into the MISO system to meet these renewable objectives and mandates.

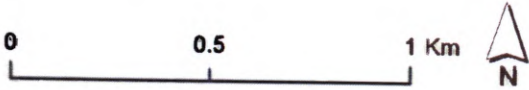
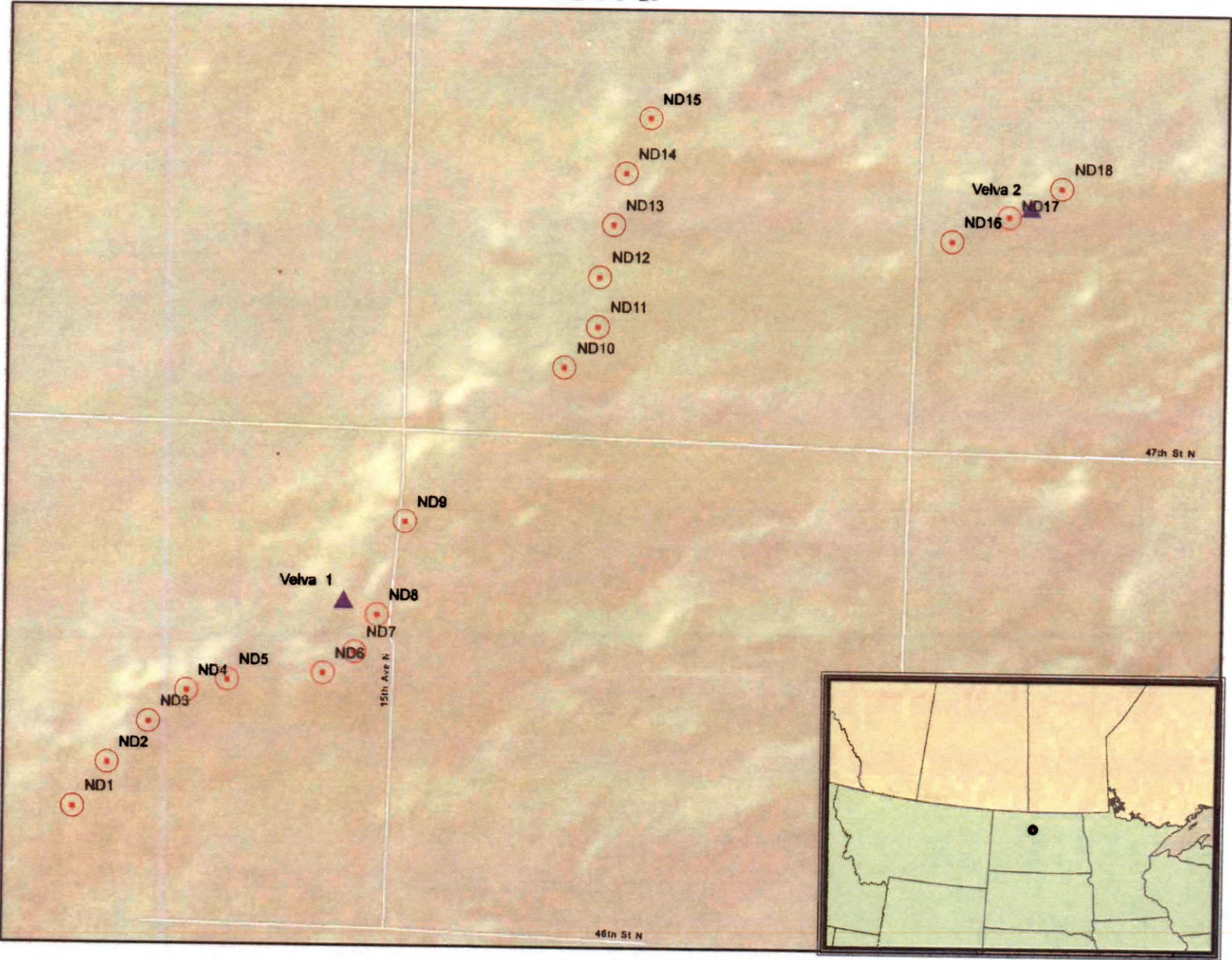
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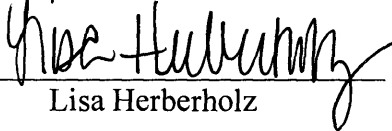
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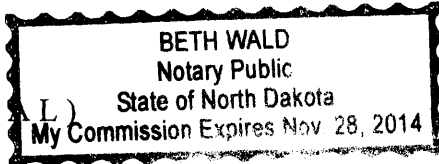
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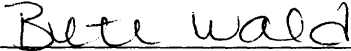
That she knew the persons served to be the persons named in the papers served and the persons intended to be served.



Lisa Herberholz

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of October, 2012.

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