

# Memorandum

To: Commissioners Brian Kroshus, Julie Fedorchak, and Randy Christmann

From: Adam Renfandt

Date: November 25, 2019

Subject: Rugby Wind LLC, Wind Energy Center - Pierce County, Decommissioning Plan & Cost Estimate

Case No. PU-13-844

On September 30, 2019, Avangrid Renewables, LLC (Avangrid) filed its decommissioning plan and cost estimate for its Rugby Wind LLC facility (Rugby Wind) to comply with the Commission's recently promulgated decommissioning rulemaking. Excluding salvage value, the total decommissioning estimate is approximately \$10.5 million, or \$147,000 per wind turbine generator.

On October 2, 2019, at Staff's direction, Avangrid corrected two errors to clarify that all access roads would be removed, and any access road that would be abandoned as-is would require Commission approval.

Avangrid is currently preparing a surety bond to comply with the Commission's financial assurance, since the facility will be operational for ten years in December 2019.

Staff has reviewed Rugby Wind's decommissioning plan and cost estimate and find them reasonable and in compliance with the Commission's decommissioning rulemaking. Therefore, Staff recommends the Commission approve the decommissioning plan and cost estimate.