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345 kV Transmission Line – Mercer County
Siting Application

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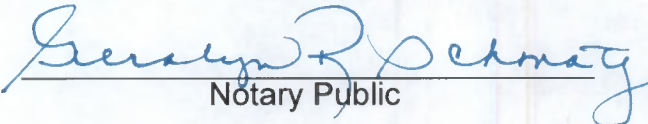
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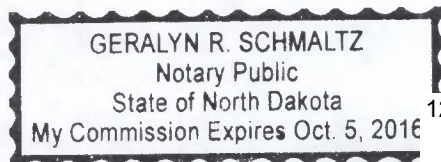
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NOTICE OF FILINGS AND NOTICE OF HEARINGS

September 17, 2014

On March 19, 2014, Antelope Hills Wind Project, LLC (Antelope Hills) filed: 1) consolidated applications for a corridor certificate, route permit and a waiver of procedures and time schedules to construct approximately 9.5 miles of 345 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities in Mercer County, North Dakota, Case No. PU-14-678; and 2) an application for a certificate of site compatibility to construct a 172 MW Antelope Hills Wind Energy Project consisting of up to 85 wind turbine generators and associated facilities in Mercer County, Case No. PU-14-679. The proposed wind project area along with the proposed transmission facility corridor and route are shown on the attached map.

Antelope Hills requests the Commission waive procedures and time schedules under NDCC chapter 49-22 and ND Admin. Code article 69-06 to allow consolidated applications for corridor certificate and route permit and waive the requirement to hold separate public hearings on the corridor certificate and route permit applications. The Commission finds the applications are complete conditioned upon filing final transmission line structure locations at least ten days before hearing.

Public Hearings on the applications are scheduled to begin **October 23, 2014**, at **9:00 a.m. CDT** for the wind project in Case No. PU-14-679 and **1:00 p.m. CDT** for the transmission line in Case No. PU-14-678. The hearings will be held at the Council Chambers, 120 N Central Avenue, Beulah, North Dakota 58523. The issues to be considered in Antelope Hills' application for waiver of procedures and time schedules in Case No. PU-14-678 are:

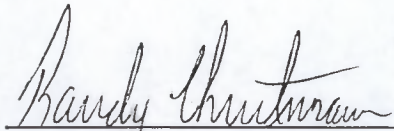
1. Are the proposed facilities of such length, design, location, or purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived?
2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in Antelope Hills' applications for certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit in Case No. PU-14-678 and certificate of site compatibility in Case No. PU-14-679 are:

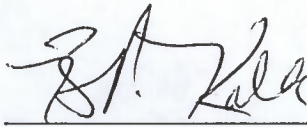
1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

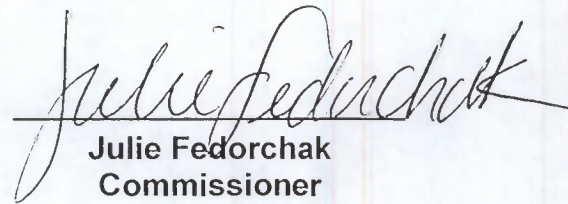
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