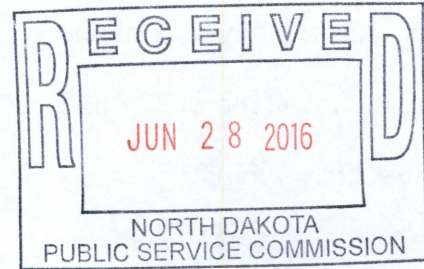


May 31, 2016

Jerry Lein  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Dear Mr. Lein:

Carlson McCain, Inc. (CMI) conducted a topsoil removal inspection at the Lindahl Wind Farm Project – Williams County (Case No. PU-15-482) on May 25, 2016, on behalf of the North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC). The project consists of installing 78 wind turbines, along with their supporting access roads, and transmission lines.

CMI Inspector Chad Tucker met with Chuck Weaver, Civil Supervisor for Enel Green Power North America, Inc. (Enel), at the lay down yard to review construction progress of the project. Construction progress, outlined in weekly reports submitted since project construction commenced the week of May 7, 2016 was reviewed and discussed. In the latest construction progress report ending May 28, 2016, Mr. Bulman reported that the upcoming activities were topsoil stripping for road construction, and culvert and driveway installation.

Mr. Weaver and Mr. Tucker proceeded to the right-of-way (ROW) to view construction practices and topsoil removal. Inspection notes and photos taken along the ROW are attached to this letter.

Field Review

Weather conditions at the time of the field visit were overcast/rain, 50 degrees, with 10 mph north winds. As noted in the weekly progress reports, grading of the lay down yard was started the week of May 7, 2016 and was completed by the end of the week. Access road dirt work began on May 23, 2016.

Topsoil from the lay down yard was stored on the northwest corner of the yard. The topsoil depth was approximately 6"-8" in depth. The subsoil was leveled and surfaced with rock. Silt fence was placed around the perimeter of the yard.

At the time of the survey, access roads for Turbines B-9 and B-10 were under construction. The pad for turbine B-10 was also under construction. Topsoil had been separated and properly stored on the edge of the ROW; however, due to rain, a shallow layer of topsoil had been re-spread to keep the subsoil dry. Enel planned to remove the topsoil once conditions improved. The topsoil was 6"-8" in depth in the construction areas.

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Carlson McCain, Inc.

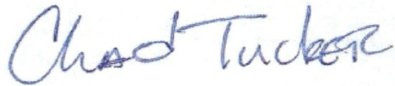
Chad Tucker, Wildlife Biologist

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Due to rain and the topsoil being re-spread, topsoil depth was difficult to accurately measure. The USDA Web Soil Survey indicates that topsoil is 5"-6" in the areas that were under construction during the inspection.

Please contact me at 701-595-7007 if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chad Tucker". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Chad Tucker  
Wildlife Biologist

cc: Mr. Chuck Weaver – Civil Supervisor, Enel Green Power North America, Inc.  
Mr. James Bulman – Site Coordinator, Enel Green Power North America, Inc.

Attachments: notes and correspondence



Figure 1. Photo taken facing east from the northwest corner of the lay down yard. Segregated topsoil and surfaced yard can be seen.



Figure 2. Photo taken looking west from Hwy 40 across the lay down yard in Section 3, T158N, R95W.



Figure 3. Photo taken facing north from 72<sup>nd</sup> St. NW. Topsoil was stripped and stored for the access road to Turbine B-10. ROW markers were in place. Due to rain, a shallow layer of topsoil had been re-spread to protect subsoil.



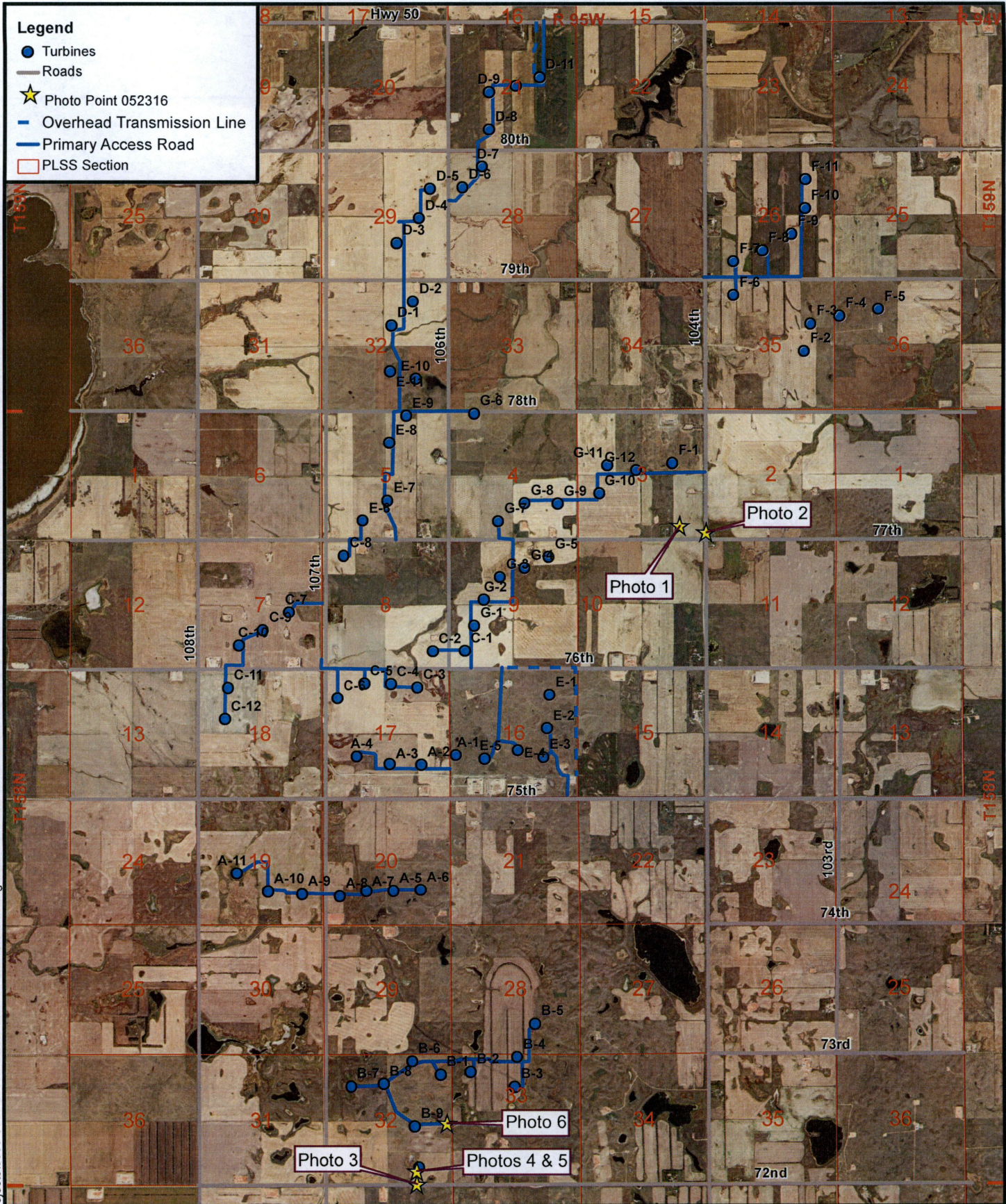
Figure 4. Photo of pad for Turbine B-10.



Figure 5. Photo segregated topsoil for Turbine B-10 pad.



Figure 6. Photo taken looking west down the access road to Turbine B-9. Topsoil has been stripped and stored on the north side of road.

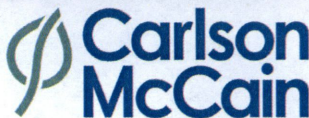


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**Figure 1**  
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Project Lindahl Wind Project PU-15-482

Project No.

Signature Chad Tucker

Date May 25, 2016

\* Met Chuck WEAVER - Civil Supervisor of ENEL

\* Lay down yard started and completed week of May 7, 2016  
- topsoil properly segregated and stored in NW corner of yard

\* Constructed started for access roads to turbines B-9 + B-10  
- top soil stripped and stored, depth 6-8". Some topsoil re-spread to keep subsoil dry  
- Pad for turbine B-10 also under construction  
- Access + Pad construction began on May 23, 2016

\* 11:00 AM - Cloudy/Rain - 50°F - N wind 10 mph