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*Via Electronic Mail & Hand Delivery*

Mr. Patrick Fahn  
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RE: Brady Wind II, LLC  
Brady II Wind Energy Center – Stark and Hettinger Counties  
Case No. PU-16-042

Dear Mr. Fahn:

As requested in your letter dated January 14, 2022, Brady Wind II, LLC (Brady Wind II) submits the following information to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) regarding revegetation and reclamation efforts at the Brady II Wind Energy Center (the Brady II Project).

The Brady II Project is located in Stark and Hettinger Counties, North Dakota and was constructed in 2016. Following construction, the Commission's third-party inspector, Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc. (Keitu), inspected the Brady II Project for reclamation and revegetation. In Keitu's Reclamation and Revegetation Inspection Report, dated October 2018 and filed with the Commission in Case No. PU-16-042 (Docket No. 129) (Keitu Inspection Report), Keitu stated that the Brady II Project was inspected on October 10, 2018 by Keitu staff. As noted in your January 14 letter, Keitu stated that "[p]ortions of the Project occurring in range or pasture land had approximately 80-100% ground cover, but were mostly weeds and nonnative species. Even though they were undesirable species, the disturbed areas appeared to be stabilized."<sup>1</sup> Keitu recommended that "[c]ontinual maintenance should be done to encourage the revegetation of desirable species."<sup>2</sup> Notably, Keitu concluded that the site "appears to be returned as near as practical to preconstruction conditions at the time of the visit", and that "[o]verall, the project was very well-maintained, secured, and in good condition."<sup>3</sup> (emphasis added).

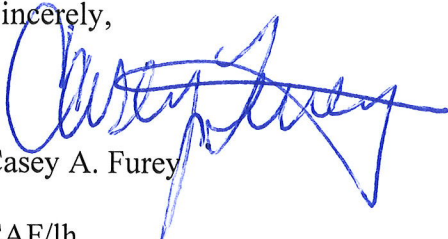
<sup>1</sup> Keitu Inspection Report at p. 3.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

<sup>3</sup> Keitu Inspection Report at p. 1; *see also* p. 3.

Since Keitu's inspection in October 2018, and consistent with Keitu's recommendation, Brady Wind II has continued to maintain the site to mitigate for weeds and nonnative species, including performing yearly weed spraying by a licensed applicator during spring and summer months. Brady Wind II treats turbine pad locations, as well as shop, substation, and access road rights-of-way for weeds.

Sincerely,



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cc: Tracy Davis (via email)