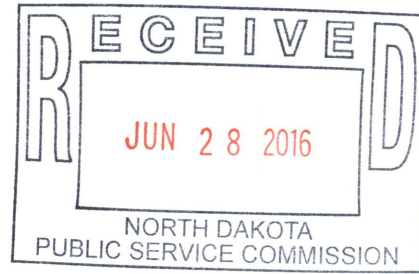


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June 28, 2016

Via US Mail

Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Director
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600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Dear Mr. Nitschke:

In re: Oliver Wind III, LLC
Case Nos. PU-16-122 and PU-16-123
Our File No. 35-218-029

Enclosed for filing in the captioned cases please find two copies of the Notice of Intent to Begin Construction and Preconstruction Conference Minutes.

Please call should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

CROWLEY FLECK PLLP

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Casey A. Furey", written over the printed name.

Casey A. Furey

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Enc.

cc: Sara Cardwell (via email)
Jaimee Antognazzi (via email)

Minutes from Preconstruction Meeting

Oliver Wind III, LLC
Oliver Wind III Energy Center – Oliver & Morton
Siting Application

Case No. PU-16-123

Oliver Wind III, LLC
230 kV Transmission Line – Oliver & Morton
Siting Application

Case No. PU-16-122

Date and time:

June 24, 2016, 10:30-11:15 CDT

Attendees:

For North Dakota Public Service Commission (“PSC”):

- Sara Cardwell, Public Utility Analyst

For Oliver Wind III, LLC (“Oliver Wind III”)

- Adrienne Charbonneau, Senior Environmental Specialist
- Tracy Davis, Senior Attorney
- Amie Jamieson, Senior Attorney
- Perry Oberg, Principal Project Engineer
- Connie Rauch, Project Manager
- Dick Rausch, Senior Project Manager
- Mark Trumbauer, Project Manager
- Kimberly Wells, Environmental Services Project Manager
- Tyler Wilhelm, Associate Project Manager

For Keitu Engineers & Consultants (PSC contractor)

- Jamiee Antognazzi
- Heather Miller

Minutes:

Ms. Cardwell explained purpose of the call: to ensure companies follow certificate and order provisions, and to emphasize important provisions. The parties will be talking about both projects.

Ms. Cardwell stated that Oliver Wind III must file minutes of this meeting and notice of intent to start construction, as well as permits, before beginning construction.

Ms. Cardwell asked how the company believes they can start without no hazard determinations from the FAA?

- Mr. Trumbauer responded that the company has commissioned a study by firm familiar with FAA. In this case, there is no danger to air traffic, the issue instead is returns on radar to Bismarck airport. The company is still in the determination phase with the FAA, but understands that the issue can be mitigated. Oliver Wind hopes to have FAA determinations by August before turbines are installed

Ms. Cardwell read the certifications relating to order provisions for the wind project appended to the Order in Case No. PU-16-123.

- Paragraph 1 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 2 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 3 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 4 read verbatim.
 - One of the other documents sent out before Staff was provision related to penalties. One of the reasons why we have third party inspector.
- Paragraph 5 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 6 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 7 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 8 read verbatim. of the wind certificate/7 of transmission certificate requires a preconstruction conference with a company representative (Amie Jamieson and Melissa Hochmuth), its construction supervisor (Dick Rausch), and a representative of PSC Staff (Jerry Lein).
 - Mr. Lein indicated certificates generally require PSC's construction inspector (Jamiee Antognazzi).
- Paragraph 9 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 10 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 11 read verbatim.
 - Ms. Cardwell discussed the monthly report. The first report should include the date construction started. The report must have a 1.3 inch margin at the bottom and be emailed to the Commission at ndpsc@nd.gov. Ms. Cardwell and construction inspector should be cced on the report.
- Paragraph 12 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 13 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 14 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 15 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 16 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 17 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 18 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 19 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 20 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 21 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 22 read verbatim.
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- Paragraph 24 read verbatim.
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- Paragraph 26 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 27 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 28 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 29 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 30 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 31 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 32 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 33 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 34 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 35 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 36 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 37 read verbatim.
- Paragraph 38 read verbatim.
- Ms. Cardwell referenced tree and shrub mitigation document. 2 for 1 mitigation and monitored for three years.

Ms. Cardwell read the certifications relating to order provisions for the transmission project appended to the Order in Case No. PU-16-122 that are different from the provisions in the wind certifications:

- Paragraph 6: this is a certificate of corridor compatibility or route permit
- Paragraph 8: addresses cultural resource mitigation plans.
- Paragraph 9: inspector must be present when topsoil removal begins. Topsoil removal is an important issue for the Commission because there are incidents where this has not been done properly.
- Paragraph 12: addresses boring of road crossings.
- Paragraph 13: prohibits staging on land not owned by company without permission.
- Paragraph 27: before beginning construction on transmission facility, Oliver Wind must send letter to landowners with easements that include the name of company representative tasked with resolving landowner issues.
- Paragraph 28: file with Commission name and phone number of person tasked with resolving complaints.
- Paragraph 29: Provide engineering design drawings.
- Paragraph 30: Report extraordinary events.
- Paragraph 31: Report critical habitat not previously reported.
- Paragraph 32: Provide written notice of plans to modify facility.
- Paragraph 33: Requires providing as-builts.
- Paragraph 34: Requires compliance with One Call.

Ms. Cardwell discussed provisions in the order relating to the wind project:

- Requires surveying areas if there are moves to turbines and area not previously surveyed.
- FAA determinations of no hazard are required.
- Company must use setbacks set forth in Table 3 of hearing exhibit 29. Setbacks are measured from center of base of turbine to closest part of applicable feature.
- The company will not use turbine site 17, will instead use Alt. 1.

- The company will avoid heavy equipment traffic on 31 ½ Ave.
- The Company will participate in One-Call.

Ms. Cardwell discussed provisions in the order relating to the wind project:

- The order authorizes a 150-foot wide corridor. If need to move outside corridor survey

Questions:

- Question to Staff: What type of format should the monthly report take?
 - Report on everything that is happening from previous month. No specific form. What is helpful is if major tasks are listed...for example, construction completed on access roads. Unusual events listed and any issues on site.
 - Name and contact information listed on monthly reports
- Question to Staff: Where should we include contact information for person tasked with resolving complaints?
 - In these minutes.
 - The contact person to resolve complaints is Dick Rausch; 512-970-6254
- Question to Oliver Wind III: When does the company plan to start construction?
 - Probably won't see activity next week.
 - Actual commencement of grading operations won't start until after July 4.
 - Confirmed use same contact information for Keitu as for the Brady project for
- Question from Keitu re. contractors on the project
 - Energy Erectors and Blattner

Parties discussed filing requirements before construction:

- Notes from preconstruction conference call.
- Notice of intent to begin construction.
- Remaining permits.
- Design drawings.

Oliver Wind III, LLC

June 27, 2016

Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary, Director of Administration
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Oliver Wind III, LLC ("Oliver Wind III") hereby provides notice of intent to start construction on the energy conversion facility and transmission line authorized by the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("Commission") in Case Nos. PU-16-122 and PU-16-123 pursuant to:

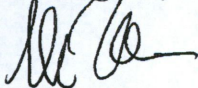
- Paragraph 11 of the Certification Relating to Order Provisions associated with the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issued in Case No. PU-16-123 on June 22, 2016, and
- Paragraph 10 of the Certification Relating to Order Provisions associated with the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issued in Case No. PU-16-122 on June 22, 2016.

Oliver Wind III plans to begin construction on the facilities as early as July 6, 2016.

Oliver Wind III also provides with this notice the minutes from the preconstruction conference call held between Oliver Wind III, Commission Staff, and the Commission's third-party construction inspector on June 24, 2016.

Please feel free to contact me at with any questions at 561-304-5868.

Best regards,



Mark Trumbauer

Cc: Sara Cardwell, North Dakota Public Service Commission
Jamiee Antognazzi, Keitu Engineers & Consultants