

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division  
Of MDU Resources Group, Inc.  
Thunder Spirit Wind Project  
Siting Application

Case No. PU-17-192

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**Geralyn R. Schmaltz** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **2nd day of June, 2017**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Notice of Filing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing**

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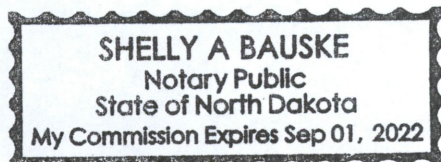
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Director of Regulatory Affairs  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Inc.  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **2nd day of June, 2017**.



  
Notary Public



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**May 31, 2017**

On August 14, 2014, in Case No. PU-11-601, the Commission issued its Supplemental Order and First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 35 to Thunder Spirit Wind, LLC for an up to 150 MW Thunder Spirit Wind Energy Project in Adams County, North Dakota as shown on the attached map. The Supplemental Order authorized construction of 2.5 MW wind turbines in 43 proposed locations with an additional 31 previously-approved locations reserved for possible future installation.

On December 16, 2015, in Case No. PU-15-592, the Commission reissued First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 35 to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU).

On May 10, 2017, in Case No. PU-17-192, MDU filed an application for a second amendment to First Reissued First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 35. MDU proposes an amendment to increase total authorized project generating capacity from 150 MW to 155.5 MW in order to install 16 additional 3.0 MW wind turbines in previously approved locations. The issues to be considered in Case No. PU-17-192 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?

Those interested are invited to comment in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by July 5, 2017.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

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, at least 24 hours in advance.

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


		
<b>Brian Kroshus Commissioner</b>	<b>Randy Christmann Chairman</b>	<b>Julie Fedorchak Commissioner</b>

Figure 1

**PROJECT LOCATION**

Thunder Spirit II Wind Energy Project  
Allele Clean Energy  
Adams County, North Dakota

May 2017

-  Thunder Spirit I WEFP
-  Thunder Spirit II WEFP
-  Project Area
-  State Highway
-  US Highway
-  Railroad
-  Municipality
-  Civil Township
-  County Boundary



**REFERENCE MAP**

