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RE: Glacier Ridge Wind Farm Compliance Notice PU-18-28

Dear Mr. Boys:

Thank you for your January 19, 2018 letter (letter) and the information you provided during our January 26, 2018 call regarding compliance with the new decommissioning rules and the Commission Notice (Notice). On January 31, 2018, the Commission discussed your letter during the administrative matters portion of its regular meeting and asked me to respond to you.

As stated in your letter, the Notice requested that owners file a compliant decommissioning plan and cost estimate with the Commission by July 1, 2018. Glacier Ridge's September 6, 2017 permit conditions state:

28. Glacier Ridge will file a decommissioning plan with the Commission for review and approval prior to the operation of either Phase I or Phase II. Glacier Ridge will fully comply with the North Dakota Administrative Code chapter 69-09-09 including all financial assurances required under section 69-09-09-08.

Your letter and subsequent communications have presented Glacier Ridge's intention to comply with the new decommissioning rules, but not provide a decommissioning plan and cost estimate by July 1, 2018. The Commission's Notice was intended for wind farms currently in operation. Since Glacier Ridge is not currently operational and agrees to comply with "providing financial assurance prior to additional on-site construction activities and filing a decommissioning

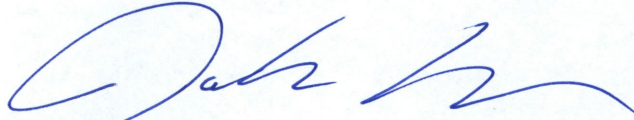
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plan and cost estimate for review and approval prior to start of operation,” the Commission finds the company’s intentions agreeable.

The Commission may request information as this project proceeds in the future. We thank you again for contacting us. If there are any other areas that we may be of assistance or questions you may have, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John M. Schuh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

John M. Schuh

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