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*Via Electronic Mail*

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**In re: Emmons-Logan Wind, LLC  
Emmons-Logan Wind Energy Center  
Emmons-Logan Wind Interconnection, LLC  
Emmons-Logan 230 kV Transmission Line  
Case Nos. PU-18-280 & PU-18-281  
Our File No. 035218-000046**

Dear Mr. Lein:

I am writing in response to our conversation regarding Emmons-Logan Wind, LLC and Emmons-Logan Wind Interconnection, LLC's (collectively "Emmons-Logan Wind") Tree and Shrub Replacement Plan (the "Plan"). See PU-18-280, Docket No. 178 and PU-18-281, Docket No. 112. On August 6, 2019, the Commission adopted an Order incorporating its revised Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications into the Orders previously issued for the Emmons Logan Wind Energy Center and 230 kV Transmission Line. See PU-18-280, Docket No. 140 and PU-18-281, Docket No. 100. Emmons-Logan Wind proposes to commence tree and shrub replacement this month in order to meet recommended planting windows. The Plan has been submitted for Commission approval and is consistent with the Commission's revised Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications.

Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specification No. 5 provides that "[t]wo years after completion of the plan, the company must file a summary documenting how the plan achieved the purpose outlines in number 3 above . . . ." With respect to tree and shrub replacement monitoring and follow-up documentation, page 7 of the Plan states,

For three consecutive years (2020, 2021, 2022) after completion and execution of tree and shrub mitigation plan, ECT will conduct annual visual surveys in September of the planting areas to document success/mortality. By October 1st of

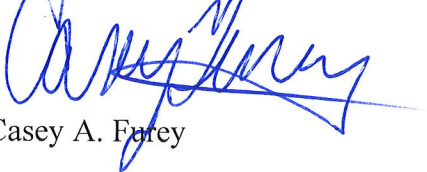
each year, ECT will produce an annual technical memorandum documenting planting success and mortality of replacement trees and shrubs – to be submitted to the Commission.

I am writing to clarify that consistent with revised Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specification No. 5, annual status reports will not be filed with the Commission. In accordance with Specification No. 5, Emmons-Logan Wind will submit one final report to the Commission in 2022.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

**CROWLEY FLECK PLLP**



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cc: Tracy Davis (via email)