

**TO:** North Dakota Public Service Commission

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## DESCRIPTION OF THE FACILITY

The Aurora Wind Project is located in Williams County, North Dakota, northwest of Tioga. U.S. Highway 2 passes a few miles south of the site providing excellent transportation access.

The site is located in a rural setting dominated by crop fields.

Aurora Wind Project, LLC, has secured sufficient site control of land via long-term leases to accommodate the entire 300 MW wind energy facility.

## SUMMARY OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES COMPLETED IN PRIOR MONTH

- ✦ Negotiation of remaining utility, oil, and gas encroachment agreements
- ✦ Ongoing steel installation in Substation
- ✦ Ongoing transmission line pole deliveries & installations
- ✦ Ongoing public road improvements and access road work
- ✦ Excavation of foundations and rebar installation
- ✦ First foundation pours
- ✦ Ongoing collection line boring of crossings
- ✦ Ongoing COVID-19 response tracking and work adjustments
- ✦ Main Power Transformers delivered to site
- ✦ Collection trench & cable installation begins and ongoing
- ✦ Vestas turbine deliveries

## FORECAST OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

- ✦ Ongoing Public road improvements and Access Road construction
- ✦ Excavation and rebar installation on foundations
- ✦ Ongoing foundations pours and backfilling
- ✦ Ongoing collection trench and cable installation

- ✦ Verification of ex-works and shipping progress on wind turbine components
- ✦ Ongoing delivery of Vestas turbines
- ✦ Delivery of Nordex turbines to site at end of July
- ✦ Turbine installation
- ✦ Ongoing SWPPP compliance inspections
- ✦ Continued Substation steel & electrical component work, including main transformers
- ✦ Transmission line construction
- ✦ Ongoing SCADA and plant automation design and installation work
- ✦ Continued and evolving COVID-19 response planning. Work is continuing on site, but by following social distancing, remote meetings, mandatory face covering usage and enhanced cleaning and separation of crews to limit exposure and risks