

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Northern States Power Company
Border Winds Energy Project – Rolette County
Siting Application**

Case No. PU-22-173

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

May 4, 2022

On May 5, 2011, in Case No. PU-08-797, the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issuing Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 to Sequoia Energy US, Inc. authorizing construction of an up to 150 MW Border Winds Energy Project in Rolette County, North Dakota.

On April 9, 2014, in Case No. PU-14-31, the Commission issued First Reissued and First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 to Border Winds Energy, LLC.

On January 10, 2018, in Case No. PU-17-362, the Commission issued Second Reissued First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 to Northern States Power Company (NSP).

On March 31, 2022, in Case No. PU-22-173, NSP filed an application for a second amendment to Second Reissued First Amended Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21. NSP proposes an amendment to increase total authorized project generating capacity from 150 MW to 165 MW in order to repower the existing 2.0 MW wind turbines with 2.2 MW wind turbines. The issues to be considered in Case No. PU-22-173 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 June 8, 2022.** 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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