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Please have the attached Notice of Filing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing published one time as a legal publication in the next issue of the following newspapers:

Litchville Bulletin

Valley City Times-Record

**Please provide the dates of publication of the notice in each newspaper.**

Do not publish in the classifieds. Please run it as a "News Item Only" article as well.

Send the bill to the Public Service Commission along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.

Please confirm via email that you received this request.

If you have any questions or cannot open the files, please call me at 328-4070 or e-mail.

Thank you!

Shelly Bauske  
Public Service Commission

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Otter Tail Power Company  
Ashtabula I Wind Upgrade Project - Barnes Cnty  
Siting Application**

**Case No. PU-23-252**

**NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING**

On May 30, 2008, in Case No. PU-08-32, the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issuing Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 7 to Ashtabula Wind, LLC authorizing the construction of an up to 200 MW Ashtabula Wind Energy Center in Barnes County, North Dakota.

On April 13, 2009, in Case No. PU-09-53, the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issuing First Amended Certificate Number 7 authorizing transfer of ownership of a 48 MW portion of the 200 MW Ashtabula Wind, LLC wind energy facility and authorized Otter Tail Corporation's (OTP) ownership of a 48 MW portion of the facility by issuing Certificate Number 10.

On June 28, 2023, in Case No. PU-23-252, OTP filed an application to amend Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 10. OTP proposed an amendment to repower the 32 existing 1.5 MW General Electric (GE) 77-meter rotor diameter blades, hubs and gearboxes with upgraded 1.6 MW GE 91-meter rotor diameter blades, hubs and gearboxes.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facility produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Is the proposed facility compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility location 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 on the application 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 hearings must be received by September 15, 2023.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a formal 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.

**Issued: August 2, 2023**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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