

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Rugby Wind LLC
Rugby Wind Farm – Pierce County
Siting Application

Case No. PU-23-313

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

On October 3, 2005, in Case No. PU-05-47, the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order issuing Certificate of Site Compatibility No. 5 to PPM Energy, Inc. authorizing the construction of an up to 150 MW Rugby Wind Farm in Pierce County, North Dakota.

On December 3, 2008, in Case No. PU-05-47, the Commission adopted an Order reissuing Certificate of Site Compatibility No. 5 to Rugby Wind, LLC (Rugby).

On September 20, 2023, in Case No. PU-23-313, Rugby filed an application to amend the Certificate of Site Compatibility No. 5 to repower 71 existing 2.1 MW Suzlon turbines replacing the 88-meter rotor diameter blades, hubs, and gearboxes with 2.2 MW turbines with 120-meter rotor diameter blades, hubs and gearboxes increasing the height from 407 feet to 456 feet.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding 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 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 November 24, 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.

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