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North Dakota State Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Subject: NDCC 49-22-04, Ten Year Plan

In accordance with NDCC 49-22-04, Ashtabula Wind I, LLC (“Ashtabula Wind I”) hereby submits its 2026 Ten Year Plan.

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Submittal

Subsection A: A description of the general location, size, and type of all facilities to be owned or operated by the utility during the ensuing ten years, as well as those facilities to be removed from service during the ten-year period.

1. The Ashtabula Wind I Energy Center (“Ashtabula Wind I”) is located approximately 70 miles west of Fargo in Barnes County, ND. Ashtabula Wind I consists of 99 GE 1.62 wind turbines and has been in production since December 2008. Ashtabula Wind’s nameplate capacity is approximately 160.4 MW. Ashtabula Wind I also owns a 9.5-mile, 230 kV line in Barnes County (Corridor Certificate No. 104, Route Permit No. 114) and interconnects with the 230 kV transmission line owned by Minnkota Power Cooperative (Minnkota) at its Pillsbury Wind substation.
2. Commenced Commercial Operations: December 2008 (with project improvements completed November 2019)
3. No additional energy conversion facilities are expected to be owned or operated by the utility during the next ten-year period.
4. Projected Retirement Date: The Facility is not projected to retire within the next ten-year period. Two Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) with Minnkota are in place through the end of November 2044.

Subsection B: An identification of the location of the tentative preferred site for all electric energy conversion facilities and the tentative location of all electric transmission facilities on which construction is intended to be commenced within the ensuing five years and such other information as may be required by the commission.

1. Ashtabula Wind I does not intend to commence construction of any new electric energy conversion facilities within the ensuing five years.

Subsection C: A description of the efforts by the utility to coordinate the plan with other utilities so as to provide a coordinated regional plan for meeting the utility needs of the region.

1. Ashtabula Wind I has a nameplate capacity of 160.4 MW and sells the output to Minnkota under two long-term PPAs to meet the needs of its customers and member cooperatives.

Subsection D: A description of the efforts to involve environmental protection and land-use planning agencies in the planning process, as well as other efforts to identify and minimize environmental problems at the earliest possible stage in the planning process.

1. Ashtabula Wind I conducted multiple environmental studies prior to construction of the facility and met all environmental requirements of the NEPA Environmental Assessment (EA) process. Ashtabula Wind I is also committed to environmental compliance during project operation.
2. A comprehensive Wildlife Response and Reporting Manual is in place to record any avian fatalities and/or injuries that are found within the wind plant boundaries.
3. An Adaptive Management Plan was developed for both construction activities and post-construction operations. Appropriate responses for various types of avian sightings are detailed within.
4. Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan specifies processes for dealing with all chemical, hazardous, and oil spills that may occur on the property.

Subsection E: A statement of the projected demand for the service rendered by the utility for the ensuing ten years and the underlying assumptions for the projection, with that information being as geographically specific as possible, and a description of the manner and extent to which the utility will meet the projected demands.

1. As described above, Ashtabula Wind I sells the output of its facility to Minnkota under two long-term PPAs, which run through 2044. Ashtabula Wind I meets Minnkota's demand for service pursuant to these agreements.
2. Ashtabula Wind I has not performed any other analysis of projected demand for the ensuing ten years.

Subsection F: Any other relevant information as may be requested by the commission.

N/A

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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