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PSC Schedules Public Hearing for Proposed Wind Farm Project and Associated Transmission Line

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 29, regarding a proposal to construct a wind farm in Oliver County and associated transmission line in Oliver and Mercer Counties.

Oliver Wind IV, LLC (a wholly owned, indirect subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC), is requesting a siting permit for the Oliver Wind IV Energy Center and an associated transmission line. The wind project would have a nameplate capacity of up to 200 megawatts and would consist of up to 73 wind turbines and associated facilities. The project area would encompass approximately 22,291 acres in Oliver County. The estimated cost of the project is \$316 million.

The 345 kV electric transmission line would be approximately 19.5 miles long in Oliver and Mercer Counties. The line would convey power from the planned Oliver Wind IV Wind Energy Center to the point of interconnection at the Basin Electric Power Cooperative Leland Olds Station. The estimated cost of the project is \$43 million.

(Note to the media: Maps showing the proposed location of the projects have been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **Monday, Jan. 29, 2024 – 10 a.m. Central**
- **Betty Hagel Memorial Civic Center**
312 Lincoln Avenue
Center, ND 58530

The hearing provides an opportunity for members of the public to contribute to the PSC's official record. Any comments from members of the public must be received at the hearing to be part of the record. People with concerns, questions or support/opposition for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present their information. Information received after the hearing will not be part of the official record and cannot be used as a basis for the Commission's decision unless certain additional procedures are followed.

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