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Patricia Van Gerpen
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RE: EL18-026, *In re Application of Prevailing Winds*

Ms. Van Gerpen,

Attached for filing, please find Staff's Motion for Procedural Schedule in the above-captioned docket. Prior to filing, this schedule was shared with Applicant, as well as those persons known to Staff to intend to intervene in the proceeding. While we do not intend to place this Motion on the Commission's agenda until August 7, 2018, we thought the information would be helpful for those interested in becoming part of the process. Staff will continue to share this information with those who apply for intervention so they may be fully informed and have an opportunity for input.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kristen N. Edwards
Staff Attorney

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) BY PREVAILING WIND PARK, LLC FOR) A PERMIT OF A WIND ENERGY) FACILITY IN BON HOMME COUNTY,) CHARLES MIX COUNTY AND) HUTCHINSON COUNTY, SOUTH) DAKOTA, FOR THE PREVAILING WIND)	MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE EL18-026
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COMES NOW, Staff (“Staff”) of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) and hereby files this Motion for Adoption of Procedural Schedule. Staff requests the Commission adopt the following procedural schedule.

Applicant Supplemental	August 10, 2018
Staff/Intervenor Testimony Due	September 10, 2018
Disclosure of Intervenor Lay Witnesses	September 10, 2018
Rebuttal Testimony Due	September 26, 2018
Applicant Rebuttal Lay Witness Disclosure	September 26, 2018
Final Discovery to All Parties	September 28, 2018 (Responses Due Oct. 5)
Witness and Exhibit Lists Due	October 1, 2018
Pre-Hearing Conference (Telephonic)	Oct 8, 2018
Evidentiary Hearing	October 9-12, 2018
Final Commission Order Due	November 30, 2018

Staff requests the Commission order that all responses to discovery requests are due 10 days after service.

Staff further requests that lay witnesses not be required to submit written testimony, however, any exhibits a lay witness intends to introduce must be submitted on the due date for

disclosure of lay witnesses, along with the name and address of each lay witness and a brief summary of what the witness intends to testify about. It is our intent to make the process less onerous on both participating and non-participating landowners, while preserving the need for all parties to have sufficient information on others' concerns to be able to address those concerns.

Staff attempted to accommodate the thoughts and concerns of other parties, including known potential intervenors, when drafting this recommendation.

THEREFORE, Staff requests the Commission issue an order establishing the procedural schedule as detailed in the Motion and establish a ten-day deadline for responses to discovery requests, with the exception of final discovery, which Staff requests be due on October 5, 2018.

Dated this 20th day of July 2018.



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WIND PARK PROJECT)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

EL18-026

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of Staff's Motion for Adoption of Procedural Schedule and Certificate of Service were served electronically to the Parties listed below, on the 20th day of July 2018, addressed to:

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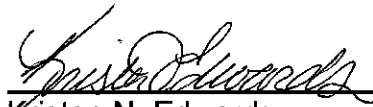
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