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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Meeting November 20, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. CST Room 413, Capitol Building Pierre, South Dakota

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AGENDA OF AD HOC COMMISSION MEETING

Electric

1. EL18-026 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 Park Project (Staff Analysts: Darren Kearney, Jon Thurber; Staff Attorney: Kristen Edwards)

On May 30, 2018, Prevailing Wind Park, LLC filed an application to construct the Prevailing Wind Park Project (Project), a wind energy facility located on approximately 50,364 acres of land in Bon Homme, Charles Mix and Hutchinson counties, South Dakota, between the towns of Avon, Tripp, and Wagner, South Dakota. The total installed capacity of the Project would not exceed 219.6 MW nameplate capacity. The proposed Project includes up to 61 wind turbine generators, access roads to turbines and associated facilities, underground electrical power collector lines connecting the turbines to the collection substation, an operation and maintenance facility, and temporary construction areas, including crane paths, public road improvements, a laydown yard, and a concrete batch plant(s) (as needed), and four permanent meteorological towers. The Project would interconnect at Western Area Power Administration's existing Utica Junction Substation, located approximately 27 miles east of the Project. A public input meeting was held on July 12, 2018. On August 9, 2018, the Commission issued an order granting intervention to six individuals and one county government. One individual filed a late application for party status, which was granted by the Commission. An evidentiary hearing (Hearing) was held October 9–12, 2018. The Commission received post-hearing briefs from the parties on November 13, 2018.

TODAY, shall the Commission grant, deny, or grant with conditions, a permit for the construction of a wind energy facility to Prevailing Wind Park, LLC pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-25? OR, how shall the Commission proceed?

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