South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Triple H Wind Project, LLC Docket EL 19-007 Response to Staff's Seventh Data Request

## Date: June 5, 2019, 2019

## Data Request:

- 7-1) Refer to the Applicant's response to Commission Staff data request 2-4. The Applicant states, "This minimization measure is not unique for the Triple H Wind Project. Engie personnel implement this provision along with most operators that have projects within the whooping crane migratory corridor."
  - a) Please provide a listing of all ENGIE wind facilities within the whooping crane migratory corridor that shuts down any turbine within one mile of the confirmed whooping crane observation until the time that the observed crane(s) leave the area. Please include supporting documentation for each ENGIE wind facility listed that confirms the one-mile mitigation measure.
  - b) Refer to the list provided in (a) above. Are these projects in the same migration corridor as Triple H? Please explain.
  - c) Please explain why a one-mile shutdown mitigation measure is more appropriate than a two-mile shutdown mitigation measure.
  - d) Does ENGIE have any wind facilities within the migration corridor that implements a shutdown procedure at greater distance than one mile? Please provide the listing with supporting documentation.
  - e) Would Triple H be willing to implement the shutdown procedure at two-miles rather than one-mile? Please explain.

## **Responses:**

Triple H can agree to the suggested modification to condition 38 pertaining to Whooping Cranes. Turbines will be temporarily shut down within 2 miles of a whooping crane observation rather than 1 mile.

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