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 COUNTY OF GRANT } ss.

Ashlie Schweitzer

of said County and State, being first duly sworn, on oath says that the Grant County Review is a legal weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Milbank, in said County of Grant and State of South Dakota, by Grant County Review, Inc., and has been such newspaper during the times hereinafter mentioned; that said newspaper is a legal newspaper; and that it has a bona fide circulation of more than two hundred copies weekly, and has been published within said County of Grant in the English language and has been admitted to the United States mail under second class mailing privilege, for at least one year next prior to the publication of the Notice herein mentioned, and has been printed wholly in an office maintained at the said place of publication, that I, the undersigned, Bookkeeper of said newspaper, in charge of the accounts receivable department thereof, have personal knowledge of all the facts stated in this affidavit; that the advertisement headed notice of public hearing, Crowned Ridge II Wind Farm (Cancelled) a printed copy of which, taken from the paper in which the same was published, is attached to this sheet and is made a part of this Affidavit, was published in said newspaper at least once each week for one successive weeks, on the day of each week on which the said newspaper was regularly published, to-wit:

<u>may 15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	_____	_____	_____
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_____	20	_____	_____	_____	20

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 Notary Public, Grant County, South Dakota



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

WHAT: Permit to Construct the Crowned Ridge II Wind Farm on approximately 60,996 acres of land in Codington, Deuel, and Grant Counties, South Dakota, in the townships of Waverly, Kranzburg, Troy, Rome, Goodwin, and Havana

WHEN: ~~Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. GDT~~ CANCELLED

WHERE: ~~Whitewood Room, Watertown Event Center, 1901 Ninth Avenue SW, Watertown, South Dakota~~ CANCELLED

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-15 and 49-41B-16, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission published notice of a public input hearing at the above time and place on an application to construct the Crowned Ridge II Wind Farm (Project), a wind energy facility located on approximately 60,996 acres of land in Codington, Deuel, and Grant Counties, South Dakota, in the townships of Waverly, Kranzburg, Troy, Rome, Goodwin, and Havana. The total installed capacity of the Project would not exceed 301 megawatts (MW) nameplate capacity. The proposed project includes up to 132 wind turbine generators, access roads to turbines and associated facilities, underground 34.5-kV electrical collector lines, underground fiber-optic cable, a 34.5-kV to 230-kV collection substation, up to two permanent meteorological towers, and an operations and maintenance facility. The Project would interconnect to the electric grid at the Big Stone South 230-kV substation using the Crowned Ridge II's 5-mile 230-kV transmission line and the Crowned Ridge 34-mile generation tie line. Applicant has executed a purchase and sale agreement with Northern States Power Company (NSP) to sell NSP the Project upon commercial operation. Applicant estimates the total cost of the project to be \$425 million. The project is expected to be complete in 2020.

On May 7, 2019, the Commission received Crowned Ridge II's request to Withdraw Application Without Prejudice.

Pursuant to the request, this Public Input Hearing is Cancelled. Information about this docket may be accessed on the Commission's website at www.puc.sd.gov under Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Electric Dockets, 2019 Electric Dockets, EL19-016 or by contacting the Commission in person at the Capitol Building, 500 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD, or by phone at (605) 773-3201 or (800) 332-1782.

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<u>April 24</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	_____	<u>20</u>
<u>May 15 (Cancelled)</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	_____	<u>20</u>
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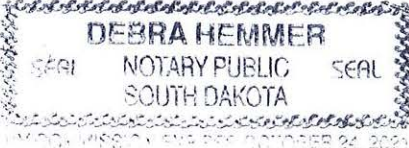
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WHERE: Whitewood Room, Watertown Event Center, 1901 Ninth Avenue SW, Watertown, South Dakota

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-15 and 49-41B-16, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission will hold a public input hearing at the above time and place on an application to construct the Crowned Ridge II Wind Farm (Project), a wind energy facility located on approximately 60,996 acres of land in Codington, Deuel, and Grant Counties, South Dakota, in the townships of Waverly, Kranzburg, Troy, Rome, Goodwin, and Havana. The total installed capacity of the Project would not exceed 301 megawatts (MW) nameplate capacity. The proposed project includes up to 132 wind turbine generators, access roads to turbines and associated facilities, underground 34.5-kV electrical collector lines, underground fiber-optic cable, a 34.5-kV to 230-kV collection substation, up to two permanent meteorological towers, and an operations and maintenance facility. The Project would interconnect to the electric grid at the Big Stone South 230-kv substation using the Crowned Ridge II's 5-mile 230-kV transmission line and the Crowned Ridge 34-mile generation tie line. Applicant has executed a purchase and sale agreement with Northern States Power Company (NSP) to sell NSP the Project upon commercial operation. Applicant estimates the total cost of the project to be \$425 million. The project is expected to be complete in 2020.

The purpose of the public input hearing will be to hear public comments regarding the permit Application and the Project. At the hearing, Applicant will present a brief description of the Project, following which interested persons may appear and present their views, comments, and questions regarding the Application. A copy of the Application is on file with the Codington, Deuel, and Grant County auditors pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-15(5) and at the Commission's office in Pierre. The Application and all other documents in the case, including detailed maps of the Project may be accessed on the Commission's website at www.puc.sd.gov under Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Electric Dockets, 2019 Electric Dockets, EL19-016 or by contacting the Commission in person at the Capitol Building, 500 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD, or by phone at (605) 773-3201 or (800) 332-1782.

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, the statutory parties to this proceeding are the Applicant and the Commission. Any person residing in the area of the Project; each municipality, county, and governmental agency in the area where the Project is proposed to be sited; any non-profit organization formed in whole or in part to promote conservation or natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be sited; or any interested person, may be granted party status in this proceeding by making written application to the Commission. Applications for party status will be available at the public input hearing or may be obtained from the Commission's website or by contacting the Commission. Applications for party status must be received by the Commission on or before 5:00 p.m. CDT on May 31, 2019.

Following the public input hearing, the Commission may schedule a formal evidentiary hearing conforming to SDCL Chapter 1-26 to consider any issues raised by any intervening party, the Commission's staff, or the Commission itself. At such formal hearing, all parties will have the opportunity to appear, present evidence, and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses and exercise all other rights afforded by SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-1, and 49-41B and ARSD Chapters 20:10:01 and 20:10:22, including rights of appeal to the courts.

For approval, the Applicant must show that the proposed Project will comply with all applicable laws and rules, will not pose a threat of serious injury to the environment nor to the social and economic condition of inhabitants or expected inhabitants in the siting area, will not substantially impair the health, safety or welfare of the inhabitants, and will not unduly interfere with the orderly development of the region with due consideration having been given to the views of governing bodies of affected local units of government. Based upon these factors, the Commission will decide whether the permit should be granted, denied, or granted upon such terms, conditions, or modifications of the construction, operation, or maintenance as the Commission finds appropriate.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, this hearing is being held in a physically accessible location. Please contact the Commission at least 48 hours prior to the hearing if you have special needs so arrangements can be made to accommodate you. The Commission's contact information is: ph (800) 332-1782; www.puc.sd.gov; puc@state.sd.us; 500 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501.

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