BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY NAVITAS ENERGY, INC. FOR AN ENERGY CONVERSION FACILITY PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WHITE WIND FARM AND ASSOCIATED COLLECTION SUBSTATION AND ELECTRIC INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM	))))))))	**ORDER GRANTING INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, INC.'S WITHDRAWAL AS A PARTY** **EL06-020**

On July 11, 2006, White Wind Farm, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Navitas Energy, Inc. (Navitas) filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) seeking an energy conversion facility permit to construct and operate the White Wind Farm. The White Wind Farm is a proposed 200 MW wind energy electricity generating facility and ancillary services located on approximately 93 acres in Sherman Township, southeast of White, South Dakota in Brookings County. The project consists of up to 105 2 MW wind turbine generators, associated electric collector lines, a collection substation and interconnection and upgrades to the WAPA White Substation.

On July 13, 2006, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 11, 2006, to interested individuals and entities. On September 8, 2006, the Commission received an Application for Party Status from Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (ITC). On September 11, 2006, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from South Dakota Rural Electric Association (SDREA). On September 19, 2006, the Commission received a letter from the Local Review Committee requesting $2,000 to employ a consultant to assist the Local Review Committee to carry out the Local Review Committee's responsibilities. At its regularly scheduled meeting of September 26, 2006, the Commission granted the Application for Party Status, the Petition to Intervene, and the Local Review Committee's request to hire a consultant for $2,000. On October 18, 2006, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from Sioux Valley Energy (Sioux Valley). On October 23, 2006, the Commission received a Social and Economic Impact Study from the Local Review Committee. At its regularly scheduling meeting of October 31, 2006, the Commission granted intervention to Sioux Valley. On March 19, 2007, the Commission received a letter from ITC requesting its withdrawal as a party.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B, specifically 49-41B-1, 49-4l B-2, 49-41B-2.1, 49-41B-4, 49-41B-6, 49-41B-7, 49-41B-8, 49-41B-9, 49-41B-10, 49-41B-11, 49-41B-12, 49-41B-13, 49-41B-14, 49-41B-1 5, 49- 41B-16, 49-41B-17, 49-41B-17.1, 49-41B-19, 49-41B-20, 49-41B-21, 49-41B-22, 49-41B-24, 49-41B-26, 49-41B-33, 49-41B-35, 49-41B-36, 49-41B-38, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:22.

On March 27, 2007, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this matter. Staff recommended that ITC be permitted to withdraw as a party. The Commission voted unanimously to grant ITC's withdrawal as a party. It is therefore

ORDERED, that ITC's withdrawal as a party is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10th day of April, 2007.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically.

By: Delaine Kolbo

Date: 4/10/07

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Chairman

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner