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

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION | ) | ORDER GRANTING |
| BY CROCKER WIND FARM, LLC FOR A | ) | PARTY STATUS |
| PERMIT OF A WIND ENERGY FACILITY | ) | |
| AND A 345 KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN | ) | EL17-028 |
| CLARK COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, FOR | ) | |
| CROCKER WIND FARM | ) | |

On July 25, 2017, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Crocker Wind Farm LLC (Crocker) for a wind energy facility and transmission facility permit (Application) to construct the Crocker Wind Farm and a 345 kV Transmission Line in Clark County (Project). The proposed Project is a 400 megawatt nameplate capacity wind energy facility located on approximately 29,331 acres of privately owned land in Clark County, South Dakota, approximately 8 miles north of Clark, South Dakota. The proposed Project includes up to 200 wind turbines, associated access roads, a new collector substation, an operations and maintenance facility and associated 345 kilovolt transmission in Clark County, South Dakota. The Project will result in the installation of approximately 6.5 miles of overhead transmission that will be wholly located within the Wind Farm's boundary.

On July 27, 2017, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 25, 2017, to interested persons and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. On August 7, 2017, the Commission issued a Notice of Application, Order for and Notice of Public Input Hearing, and Notice of Opportunity to Apply for Party Status. A public input hearing was held on September 13, 2017. Forty-nine Applications for Party Status were received, including one application filed by a law firm representing 44 individuals, each seeking party status. Included in the 49 applications were applications from four individuals who filed both individually and as represented parties among the 44 persons represented by a single law firm, thus, a total of 45 individuals sought party status.

The Commission considered this matter at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 26, 2017. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B, specifically 49-41B-17. The Commission voted unanimously to exclude Luke Holzwarth and to grant party status to Dave Adam; Darci Adam; Nancy Tarbox; Jeff Kalo; Shad Stevens; Gale Paulson; Joe Jansen; Linda Jansen; Jean Stevens; Katrina Kalo; Robert Ward; Doug Paulson; Wendy Crabtree; Dustin Van Gilder; Sheldon Adam; Kipp Obermeier; Kimberly Paulson; Lowell Wahl; Norma Wahl; Emma Vig; Cole Vig; Kay Ward; Troy Mudgett; Heather Johannsen; Renae Mudgett; Lisa Stern; Terry Mudgett; Dana Nordhus; Lori Nordhus; Karen Paulson; Richard Paulson; Alan Berns; LeRoy Monson; Kasey Mehlberg; Kadie Boysen; Donette Dunlavy; Steve Huber; Margaret Nordhus; Charles Tollefson; Kathy Tollefson; Tara Huber; Jesse Huber; Brad Stevens; and Allen Stern.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that party status is granted to Dave Adam; Darci Adam; Nancy Tarbox; Jeff Kalo; Shad Stevens; Gale Paulson; Joe Jansen; Linda Jansen; Jean Stevens; Katrina Kalo; Robert Ward; Doug Paulson; Wendy Crabtree; Dustin Van Gilder; Sheldon Adam; Kipp Obermeier; Kimberly Paulson; Lowell Wahl; Norma Wahl; Emma Vig; Cole Vig; Kay Ward; Troy Mudgett; Heather Johannsen; Renae Mudgett; Lisa Stern; Terry Mudgett; Dana Nordhus; Lori

Nordhus; Karen Paulson; Richard Paulson; Alan Berns; LeRoy Monson; Kasey Mehlberg; Kadie Boysen; Donette Dunlavy; Steve Huber; Margaret Nordhus; Charles Tollefson; Kathy Tollefson; Tara Huber; Jesse Huber; Brad Stevens; and Allen Stern.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 28th day of September, 2017.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner