

August 26, 2010

Brian P. Rounds Staff Analyst SD Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capital Avenue Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Notice of Planned Start of Construction for 20 MW Strandburg Wind Farm

## Dear Mr. Rounds:

In accordance with South Dakota Codified Law 49-41B-25.1, Harvest Wind LLC is hereby notifying the SD Public Utilities Commission of the planned start of construction for our 20 MW Strandburg Wind Farm located in Troy Township, Grant County, South Dakota. The project is planned to consist of eight (8) GE 2.5xle wind turbine generators with an 85-meter hub height and 103-meter rotor diameter.

The project will be interconnected to East River Electric Cooperative's 69-kV distribution system. Proper relays, switching, and protective devices will be installed to maintain operability standards of EREPC, WAPA, and SDPUC as well as local, state, and federal codes. Preliminary plans of our substation layout plan and electrical one line diagrams are attached which illustrate the planned method of interconnection.

The estimated construction start date is November 1, 2010 to begin trenching underground 34.5 kV collector lines and to install turbine access roads and turbine foundations prior to winter conditions. The turbines and substation gear are planned for delivery to the site in April or May of 2011 at which time the project would be interconnected to the grid in order to energize turbines as they are erected. The construction completion date (Commercial Operation Date) is estimated to be June 15, 2011.

Sincerely,

Ken Peterson

CEO & Chairman of the Board

HARVEST WIND LLC

cc: Harvest Wind Board of Managers

Jeff Rud – East River Electric Power Cooperative

Krista Atyeo-Gortmaker - Grant County Planning & Zoning Officer

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