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### South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Meeting

June 6, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. CDT

Room 413, Capitol Building

Pierre, South Dakota

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#### AGENDA OF AD HOC COMMISSION MEETING

##### Electric

#### 1. **EL19-003 In the Matter of the Application by Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC for a Permit of a Wind Energy Facility in Grant and Codington Counties (Staff Analysts: Darren Kearney, Jon Thurber, Eric Paulson; Staff Attorneys: Kristen Edwards, Amanda Reiss, Mikal Hanson)**

On January 30, 2019, Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC (Crowned Ridge or Applicant) filed an application for a permit to construct a wind energy conversion facility to be located in Grant County and Codington County, South Dakota (Project). The Project would be situated on approximately 53,186-acres in the townships of Waverly, Rauville, Leola, Germantown, Troy, Stockholm, Twin Brooks, and Mazeppa, South Dakota. The total installed capacity of the Project would not exceed 300 megawatts (MW) of nameplate capacity. The proposed Project includes up to 130 wind turbine generators, access roads to turbines and associated facilities, underground 34.5-kilovolt (kV) electrical collector lines, underground fiber-optic cable, a 34.5-kV to 345-kV collection substation, one permanent meteorological tower, and an operations and maintenance facility. The Project will utilize the Crowned Ridge 34-mile 230-kV generation tie line and a new reactive power compensation substation to transmit the generation from the Project's collector substation to the Project's point of interconnection located at the Big Stone South 230-kV Substation, which is owned by Otter Tail Power Company. Applicant has executed a power purchase agreement with Northern States Power Company (NSP) to sell NSP the full output of the Project. The Project is expected to be completed in 2020. Applicant estimates the total cost of the Project to be \$400 million. The Commission has granted party status to four individuals (Intervenors). On April 25, 2019, Intervenors filed Intervenors' Motion to Deny and Dismiss, which was denied by the Commission on May 10, 2019. On May 17, 2019, Intervenors filed Intervenors' Second Motion to Deny and Dismiss. On May 23, 2019, Crowned Ridge filed a response to the Motion. On May 23, 2019, staff filed a Request for Exception to Procedural Schedule. If staff's request is granted, the testimony of staff witness David Hessler will be taken at the June 6, 2019, Ad Hoc meeting.

TODAY, shall the Commission grant Intervenors' Second Motion to Deny and Dismiss? AND, shall the Commission grant staff's Request for Exception to Procedural Schedule? OR, how shall the Commission proceed?

##### Public Comment

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*Individuals who wish to make public comments to the commission may do so in person during this time. All who offer public comment are requested to sign in at the commission meeting. Time limits for comments may be determined at the discretion of the chairman.*

/s/Cindy Kemnitz.

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