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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION ) BY BUFFALO RIDGE II LLC, A SUBSIDIARY ) OF IBERDROLA RENEWABLES, INC. FOR AN ) ENERGY CONVERSION FACILITY PERMIT ) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BUFFALO ) RIDGE II WIND FARM AND ASSOCIATED ) COLLECTION SUBSTATION AND ELECTRIC ) INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM. ) EL08-031

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

I hereby certify that the attached Notice was published in the *Clear Lake Courier* on November 26, 2008.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE DEUEL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS November 18, 2008 **Regular Meeting**

The Deuel County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday November 18 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse with Chairman Hunt presiding. Those present were Commissioners Anderson, Hanson, Jaeger, Van Liere and Hunt. Also present was Auditor Pam Lynde. Approval of Agenda

Hanson moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the agenda as pre-sented. All voted yes and the motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion was held on the possible dates for a tax deed sale in Brandt and house in Astoria. Wayne Haug has been contacted and will set the pins for the boundaries of the properties.

#### APPOINTMENTS Jamie Hintz 9:05 Highway Superintendent

Hintz met with the Commissioners to discuss several highway related matters. He said they are hauling gravel and mowing county road ditches. Discussion was held on the possible purchase of a used excavator. 2) Anderson moved, seconded by Van Liere to advertise for the purchase of a Lere to advertise for the purchase of a used 100 HP crawler excavator with bid letting to be held Tuesday December 16 at 9:05 a.m. All voted yes and the motion carried. He said that he has also been pricing pickups on the state bid list: 3) Hanson moved, seconded by Jaeger to purchase a 2009 Ford F150 at \$24,700 off the state bid list. All voted yes and the motion carried. Hintz pre-sented an application for a right of way approval needed for a drainage project near Brandt. near Brandt.

Discussion was held on the need for Bill Dummann to use the sick leave pool during the illness of his wife. He has used all his vacation and sick leave available.

4) Jaeger moved, seconded by Van Liere to allow Dummann to use sick leave pool hours that are administered by the Auditor's Office, to cover leave time needed for illness of family member. All voted yes and the motion carried.

## 9:30 Christine Gribble Back Taxes of Tim Peterson Property Christine Gribble and Tim Peterson

met with the Commissioners to discuss the back taxes owed on the E527' of N738' S1544' SE4 in Norden Township. 11:00 Educator Sonia Mack Extension

Mack met with the Board to discuss Extension Office related items. Mack gave the quarterly report which took in the time frame from July through Sept-She said that the Dist. 4 Community Leaders meeting will be held in Milbank at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 15. She said that at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 15. She said that discussion will take place of what is happening with the educators in Grant and Deuel counties and that state house and senate representatives will also be attending. She also requested a new computer for the secretary in the Extension Office. She presented a quote for a HP Compaq dc5800 with monitor for the price of \$915.00. No decision was made on the request at this time. The Commissioners requestthis time. The Commissioners request-ed a schedule of meetings that the edu-

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### Darold Hunt, Chairman, Board of Commissioners Deuel County, South Dakota

11) Van Liere moved, seconded by Jaeger to approve the following plat and Resolutions #08-38. All voted yes and Resolutions #00-00 the motion carried. **RESOLUTION** #08-38

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Deuel County, South Dakota, that the plat entitled: "Gasper Addition Located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 31, Township 114 North, Range 50 West of the 5th BM is the County of Deuel the 5th P.M., in the County of Deuel, South Dakota." which has been submitted for examination pursuant to law, and it appearing that all taxes and special assessments have been paid and that such plat and the survey thereof have been made and executed according to law, the plat is hereby approved, and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such plat a copy of this Resolution and certify the same.

Dated at Clear Lake, South Dakota, this 18th day of November, 2008.

> Darold Hunt, **Board of County Commissioners** Deuel County, South Dakota

ATTEST:

#### Pam L. Lynde County Auditor, Deuel County, South Dakota

12) Jaeger moved, seconded by Anderson to approve the following plat and Resolution #08-39. All voted yes and the motion carried. Motion carried.

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Pam L. Lynde County Auditor

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Iberdrola Renewables has filed an application with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for a permit to site and construct the Buffalo Ridge II Wind Farm in Richland, Lake Hendricks, Sherman, Oak Lake and Argo Townships in Brookings County, and Blom and Scandinavia Townships in Deuel County. The proposal is to construct wind towers and turbines, with associated structures, to provide 306 megawatts of nameplate electrical generation.

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission will take public comments concerning the proposed Buffalo Ridge II Wind Farm. Pursuant to law, the Public Utilities Commission will hold a public hearing to take comments from the public. The hearing will be held in the Daktronics Banquet Room of the Swiftel Center located just east of Brookings on Highway 14 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on January 5. 2009.

Iberdrola Renewables will present a short presentation designed to give context to the comments of the public regarding the proposal. The great bulk of the time will be reserved for accepting public comments on the proposal.

You can learn more about the proposal by accessing a copy of the Application online at the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission website: http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2008/el08-031.aspx. Additionally, copies of the Application are on file with the Auditors of Brookings and Deuel Counties and the Applications can be viewed there. 39-2te

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