

October 26, 2020

PUC Commissioners,

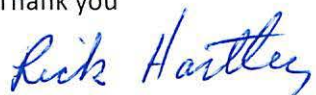
Thank you for the opportunity to address the board October 13, 2020.

At this time Banner Associates has begun their Post Construction evaluation of the roadways. The contractor is still completing work on the gravel roadways prior to turning them over for post-construction evaluations.

As is written in the road use agreement, Banner is allotted 60 days to complete the post-construction evaluations and another 60 days to provide restoration recommendations and cost-estimates. If weather creates challenges that prevent them from completing the work in that timeframe; alternate accommodations will be made. The County will utilize these recommendations to determine what action needs to be taken by NextEra to return Codington County's roadways to equal or better condition than they were prior to construction of the wind farm project.

At the current time we appreciate the PUC's presence on the project but do not see any need for further action at this time. We would appreciate your continued support in whatever capacity necessary as this moves forward, particularly when it comes time to enforce NextEra's requirement to restore the roads to pre-construction condition or better, at NextEra's expense.

Thank you



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