

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY) CROWNED RIDGE WIND, LLC FOR A) PERMIT OF A WIND ENERGY FACILITY IN) GRANT AND CODINGTON COUNTIES))))))	ORDER DENYING MOTION TO REQUIRE A SOUND STUDY OF CROWNED RIDGE WIND, LLC FOR FALL 2022 AND CLOSING THE DOCKET
		EL19-003

On January 30, 2019, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC (Crowned Ridge or Applicant) for a permit to construct a wind energy conversion facility to be located in Grant County and Codington County, South Dakota (Project). On July 26, 2019, the Commission issued a Final Decision and Order Granting Permit to Construct Facility; Notice of Entry (Permit). On January 9, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Granting Temporary Waiver and ordered Crowned Ridge to conduct post-construction noise compliance testing in accordance with Condition 26 of the Permit. On March 18, 2021, Crowned Ridge filed a Motion for Approval of Mitigation Plan. On April 9, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Approving Mitigation Plan. On July 29, 2021, Intervenor Amber Christenson (Christenson) filed a Motion to Amend Mitigation Plan of the Sound Study Protocol of Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC, Fall 2021. On August 26, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Denying Motion to Amend Sound Study Mitigation Plan. On August 30, 2021, Christenson and intervenor Allen Robish filed a Petition for Reconsideration. On September 9, 2021, the Commission issued an Order Granting Petition for Reconsideration and Order Granting Motion to Amend Sound Study Mitigation Plan in Part on Reconsideration. On February 14, 2022, Crowned Ridge filed the Sound Level Compliance Evaluation Report. On April 11, 2022, Commission staff filed its Crowned Ridge Wind Sound Testing November 2021 Data Review and Assessment by Hessler Associates, Inc. On August 10, 2022, Christenson filed a Motion to Require a Sound Study of Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC, Fall 2022 (Motion). On August 15, 2022, Crowned Ridge filed a response to the Motion. On August 26, 2022, Commission staff filed a response to the Motion.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B.

On August 30, 2022, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the Motion. After hearing from Christenson during the Commission meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to deny the Motion as the docket is no longer a contested case due to the South Dakota Supreme Court affirming the Commission's granting of the Permit and there exists no opportunity for a Motion to be heard in this docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Motion is hereby denied, and the docket is closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7th day of September 2022.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.

By: Karen E. Bremer

Date: 09/07/22

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner