

Letter to Liaison 5/21/2020

Good afternoon Brian,

This is a follow up to our conversation of earlier today, May 21, 2020, concerning my complaint regarding the ADLS lighting in the Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC project, also known to us as Crowned Ridge 1, which is PUC docket EL 19-003.

As you indicated that you were aware from other complaints related to this matter, this (additional) complaint/notice is to again point out that, contrary to what has otherwise been claimed in this matter, the ADLS lighting system, which obviously was/is an important and key condition of the permit previously granted (2019) to Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC, is not yet operational.

As I indicated to you, the ADLS lights/lighting related the project are continuously visible from dusk until approx. 10:05-10:06 p.m. each day, at which time the red lights turn off. Thereafter, typically approximately 5 - 10 minutes later, the red lights annoyingly return to be "on" and remain functioning a majority of the time – all while no airplanes are at or anywhere near the vicinity of such turbines. In fact, I would note that there is very little time when the lights are off at all – as a result, it appears obvious to those of us residing in the area that the required ADLS lighting is not, in fact, properly operational as of today's date. What (other) recourse do we, as local residents, have for this ongoing violation(s) of what certainly appears to be the flouted permit condition(s)?

Brian, thank you again for sharing with me that there have been other complaint(s) that have mirrored my complaint, including the same fact that the lights inexplicably turned off at approx. 10:05 p.m.

Please file this formal complaint with the PUC and with Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC, and keep me apprised of the remedial process of this matter, if any, going forward.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/Amber Christenson  
Strandburg, SD