

April 20, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Secretary
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

**RE: In the Matter of the Application of Sweetland Wind Farm, LLC for Facility Permits for a Wind Energy Facility and a 230-kV Transmission Facility in Hand County, South Dakota
Docket EL 19-012**

Project Update

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On March 10, 2021, Sweetland Wind Farm, LLC (“Sweetland”) submitted a compliance filing in accordance with Conditions 1, 15, 30, and 36 of the Settlement Stipulation approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) in its July 31, 2019 Order Granting Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation; Order Granting Permit to Construct Facilities; Notice of Entry in the above-referenced docket. Commission Staff requested that Sweetland provide this letter clarifying the purpose of the March 10, 2021 filing and when future compliance filings will be provided.

Sweetland’s initial construction is limited to the Project substation. As a result, in its March 10, 2021 filing, Sweetland submitted the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (“SWPPP”) for only the Project substation. Sweetland intends to file a copy of the SWPPP for the remainder of the Project prior to beginning construction on the other Project components. Additionally, prior to commencing construction on the transmission facility, Sweetland will furnish an indemnity bond in the amount of \$500,000 in accordance with Condition 9(h).

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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