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Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
SD Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: EL20-018, In the Matter of the Application of Wild Springs Solar, LLC for a Permit of a Solar Energy Facility in Pennington County, South Dakota

Ms. Van Gerpen,

On September 19, 2022, Wild Springs Solar, LLC (Wild Springs) filed a letter requesting approval of a material change to the permit pursuant to Permit condition 25, regarding the inverter model to be used for the project.

Condition 25 provides:

For inverter, tracker or transformer model changes, Applicant will file with the Commission and serve on the official Service List a request for approval of the material change that includes the proposed model design specifications (to the extent different than the specifications provided for the model(s) identified in Table 9.5-3 of the Application), the distance to 55 dBA based on the manufacturer's noise modeling data, and the minimum distance to a parcel line from the changed component.

- Once received, the information would be reviewed by Staff, and Staff will have 10 calendar days within which to request further Commission review.
- If no further review is requested, Applicant may proceed with the Facility adjustment or model change.
- If further review is requested, the Commission will issue a decision regarding Applicant's request at its next available regularly scheduled Commission meeting, subject to notice requirements, after the request for further review is made by Staff.

Staff has reviewed Wild Springs' request to change the inverter model and does not have any concerns. Therefore, Staff does not request further Commission review on this matter.

Sincerely,

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