

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION)
APPLICATION BY CROWNED RIDGE)	FOR APPROVAL OF)
WIND II, LLC FOR A PERMIT OF A)	TRANSFER OF PERMIT AND)
WIND ENERGY FACILITY IN DEUEL,)	APPROVING TRANSFER OF)
GRANT AND CODINGTON COUNTIES)	PERMIT)
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)	EL19-027

On July 9, 2019, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an Application for a Wind Energy Facility Permit (Application) from Crowned Ridge Wind II, LLC (CRW II), a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC. CRW II proposed to construct a wind energy facility to be located in Codington, Deuel and Grant counties, South Dakota (Project). The Project is located in Waverly, Kranzburg North, Kranzburg South, Troy, Rome, Goodwin, and Havana townships. The total installed capacity of the Project is expected to be up to 300.6 megawatts. On April 6, 2020, the Commission issued its Final Decision and Order Granting Permit to Construct Facility; Permit Conditions; Notice of Entry (Permit). On October 19, 2020, Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy (NSP) filed a Motion for Approval of Transfer of Permit, the Affidavit of Christopher B. Clark, President-NSPM, and the Affidavit of David Gil. Mr. Clark stated that on August 16, 2019, NSP entered into an Amended and Restated Purchase and Sale Agreement with ESI Energy, LLC, for the acquisition of CRW II. Mr. Clark further stated that NSP agrees to abide by all of the terms and conditions of the Permit and stands ready, willing and able to perform the obligations stated therein. Mr. Gil, representing ESI Energy, LLC and NextEra Energy Resources, supported the transfer of the Permit to NSP.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B, specifically 49-41B-29, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:22.


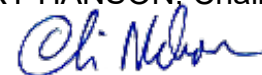
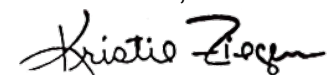
On October 28, 2020, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended granting the Motion for Approval of Transfer of Permit. After reviewing the Motion for Approval of Transfer of Permit and the supporting information, the Commission unanimously voted to grant the Motion for Approval of Transfer of Permit. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Motion for Approval of Transfer of Permit is hereby granted and the transfer of the Permit is hereby approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 30th day of October 2020.

<p>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u> <i>Karen E. Orensen</i> </u></p> <p>Date: <u> 10/30/20 </u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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