## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Oliver Wind IV, LLC 200 MW Oliver Wind IV Energy Center-Oliver County Siting Application

Case No. PU-23-317

Oliver Wind IV, LLC 345-kV Transmission Line - Oliver & Mercer Siting Application

Case No. PU-23-318

## NOTICE OF FILINGS AND NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATED HEARING

A consolidated **Public Hearing** on the application in Case No. PU-23-317 and Case No. PU-23-318 is scheduled for **January 29th**, **2024**, at **10:00** a.m. Central Time, at the Betty Hagel Memorial Civic Center, 312 Lincoln Avenue, Center, ND 58530.

On September 28, 2023, Oliver Wind IV, LLC filed an application for a Certificate of Site Compatibility to construct the up to 200 MW Oliver Wind IV Energy Center consisting of up to 73 wind turbine generators and associated facilities including three alternative turbine locations entirely in Oliver County, North Dakota, as shown on the attached map, Case No. PU-23-317.

Also on September 28, 2023, Oliver Wind IV, LLC filed an application for certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit concerning the location for approximately 19.5 miles of 345 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities in Oliver and Mercer Counties, North Dakota, as shown on the attached map, Case No. PU-23-318.

Believing that there will be no prejudice to the rights of the parties or the public interest, and finding the cases involve similar questions of law and fact, the Commission is consolidating these cases for hearing under North Dakota Admin. Code section 69-02-04-04.

On November 27, 2023, Oliver Wind IV, LLC filed an application for waivers of procedures and time schedules established under North Dakota Century Code sections 49-22-07.2, 49-22-08, 49-22-08.1, 49-22-13, and North Dakota Administrative Code section 69-06-01-02 and chapter 69-06-06, requiring separate filings, separate notices, and separate hearings on corridor and route applications.

The issues to be considered in the application for waiver of procedures and time schedule in Case No. PU-23-318 are:

1. Are the proposed facilities of such length, design, location, or purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived? 2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in the application for certificate of site compatibility in Case No. PU-23-317 and the applications for certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit in Case No. PU-23-318 are:

- 1. Will the location and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
- 2. Are the proposed facilites compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
- 3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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