



February 25, 2011

Converse County Planning & Zoning Commission
107 North 5th St.
Douglas, WY 82633

Re: Follow-up to the Converse County Planning and Zoning Commission's February 15, 2011 review of the Pioneer Wind Park I and Pioneer Wind Park II WECS Permit Application

Dear Board Members:

Wasatch Wind appreciates the thorough review of the Pioneer Wind Park I and Pioneer Wind Park II WECS Permit Application by the Planning & Zoning Commission during your February 15, 2011 meeting. We also appreciate the Board's comments and requests for clarification and/or revision. As a follow-up, please find our responses to the four points raised during your review of our application.

1. **Demonstrate an understanding that Wasatch Wind will be responsible for the display advertisement to publicize our hearing date, but that Converse County will place the legal advertisement.**

Wasatch Wind acknowledges that Converse County, per the discussion during the P&Z meeting, will be responsible for the legal announcement publicizing the public hearing to consider our application. We further acknowledge that Wasatch Wind will be responsible for placing a display ad, similar to the example in Section B of our WECS application, in the Douglas Budget and Glenrock Independent, at least twenty (20) days prior to the hearing. The ad will summarize our projects and invite public comment.

2. **Revise the Waste Management Plan to include the requirement that the construction waste be covered.**

Wasatch Wind will add language to the Waste Management Plan in Section F of our WECS application that will require all waste to be covered onsite and during transport offsite to the appropriate disposal facility.

3. **Address possible actions to minimize traffic impacts at the Birch Street intersection and raise the Level of Service (LOS) from a C to a B or better (Table 7 in Traffic Study page 76).**

Wasatch Wind contacted Civil Engineering Professionals, Inc. (CEPI) of Casper, who performed the submitted traffic study. They in turn contacted WYDOT to discuss the Board's concerns. The CEPI response is as follows:

Generally a Level of Service (LOS) C is a lower level but doesn't adversely impact traffic conditions; therefore, LOS C is typically considered adequate and usually doesn't require modifications.

Additionally, any disturbance would only be temporary during construction, a small inconvenience and not a permanent disturbance.

CEPI's impression from speaking with WYDOT is that, in general, WYDOT would probably not require any modifications for temporary situations during construction that don't result in a long duration or constant change in traffic patterns. WYDOT will be reviewing the Pioneer Wind Park projects' traffic survey in more detail.

Wasatch Wind is open to considering traffic mitigation techniques should they be necessary.

4. Revise the Decommissioning Plan to include a statement addressing topsoil

Wasatch Wind will add language to the Decommissioning Plan in Section K to address the potential lack of natural topsoil at the time of decommissioning and reclamation. The Plan will note that in the event that suitable topsoil is unavailable for reclamation that a substitute would be obtained appropriate to the site-specific characteristics and in line with parameters set forth by the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality and our Industrial Siting Council permit.

We appreciate your consideration of our proposed solutions to the outlined action items. Please do not hesitate to contact us at anytime to discuss this further.

Warm regards,

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