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Ms. Barcy McNeal
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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: NTE Ohio, LLC, OPSB Case No. 14-534-EL-BGN

Dear Ms. McNeal:

The November 24, 2014, Opinion, Order, and Certificate ("Certificate") approving NTE Ohio, LLC ("NTE") Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct the Middletown Energy Center established a set of conditions as part of the Certificate.

Within this set of conditions, **Condition No. 15** requires that:

The Applicant shall have a qualified environmental specialist on site during construction activities that may affect sensitive areas, as mutually agreed upon between the Applicant and Staff, and as shown on the Applicant's final approved construction plan. Sensitive areas include, but are not limited to, areas of vegetation clearing, designated wetlands and streams, and locations of threatened or endangered species or their identified habitat. The environmental specialist shall be familiar with water quality protection issues and potential threatened or endangered species of plants and animals that may be encountered during project construction.

In compliance with Condition No. 15 of the Board's Order, attached for Staff approval is a copy of the qualifications of Ms. Alicia J. Rodrian, as the onsite environmental specialist selected by NTE.

We request that the Staff notify Applicant if Ms. Rodrian is not acceptable as the environmental specialist. If you have any questions please call me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Sally W. Bloomfield

Attachment

cc: Grant Zeto (w/Attachment)

EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Ms. Rodrian has over 10 years of experience in scientific data collection/analysis with accomplished duties in support of environmental projects and programs, including over three years of consulting experience at Tetra Tech. Ms. Rodrian has played a successful support and leadership role on field teams with population field data collection, natural resources surveys, endangered species surveys, government agency coordination, wetland delineations, operating and collecting global positioning system (GPS) data, managing geographic information system (GIS) data and delivering scientific reports. Including multiple species specific habitat delineation and population surveys of avian species in the mid-atlantic region. Ms. Rodrian has extensive region-specific experience and knowledge of several North American ecosystems, including but not limited to, the Midwest and Great Lakes Region. Ms. Rodrian also possesses extensive knowledge of the unique habitat and ecological management of the diverse project sites on private, public and military lands including management for multiple endangered species.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Wildlife Biologist

Lesser Prairie Chicken Habitat Surveys, Four Point Energy - Ms. Rodrian served as the Field Team Leader for a 1,200-acre site habitat delineation for a grassland species the lesser prairie chicken (*Tympanuchus pallidicinctus*) in the remote grasslands of Oklahoma's western region and Texas panhandle. Ms. Rodrian's work entailed following the species-specific mitigation for the oil/gas industry within the Range-Wide Conservation Plan for the Lesser Prairie Chicken developed by the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agency. Ms. Rodrian fulfilled field surveys while managing: quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) of all data, data reporting, communications, budgets, scheduling, as well as, health and safety protocols for a large project field crew.

Endangered Species Survey Support/Wetland Delineations, Alpha Crude Collection Pipeline - Ms. Rodrian served as field support for the survey of endangered burrowing owls (*Athene cunicularia*) along a remote proposed oil pipeline in the deserts of New Mexico's southwest region into the western areas of Texas. Her work entailed averaging 5-mile/day linear surveys in the desert with a large crew of 4-8 members while on site; recording habitat surveys, stick nests, ground nest burrows; managing a Trimble GPS for survey guidance; and recording data.

EIS/NEPA Review, Rock Island Arsenal - Ms. Rodrian served a vital role with a Senior Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review specialist for permitting a proposed housing development on the military base Rock Island Arsenal. As part of this project Ms. Rodrian evaluated the project site for the presence and extent of both state of Illinois and federal threatened and endangered species and consulted with both the project proponent and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (DNR)/U.S. Fish

EDUCATION

Graduate Studies, Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Biology, Clemson University

B.S., Biological Sciences, University of Kentucky

AREA OF EXPERTISE

Ornithology

Energy Development

Habitat and population surveys

GIS Analyst

REGISTRATIONS/ AFFILIATIONS

The Wildlife Society

TRAINING/ CERTIFICATIONS

40-hour OSHA HAZWOPER

CPR & Standard First Aid

ESRI ArcGIS 9.3 Desktop II: Tools and Functionality Training Certification, 2010

Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation & Permitting Certifications

OFFICE

Cincinnati, OH

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

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and Wildlife Service (USFWS) regarding avoidance and mitigation options. As well as managing project constraints for military base rules and regulations and attending meetings with military base personnel, Ms. Rodrian was responsible for daily work progress coordination, data management, GIS data, data collection, and reporting.

Wetland Delineation, Middletown, OH Electric Generating Facility - Ms. Rodrian served as wetland delineation team lead for a wetland delineation survey for a proposed natural gas-fired electric generating facility site. Her work entailed delineation in accordance with United States Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) Midwest supplemental guidelines, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Wetland permitting guidelines, and internal data collection protocols. She also prepared wetland and habitat information in support of the project's Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) application. Ms. Rodrian was responsible for daily work progress coordination, data management, GIS/Trimble, data collection, flagging wetland boundaries and plant identification.

Wetland Delineation Surveys, National Grid - Ms. Rodrian served as a wetland delineation team lead for a 20+-mile transmission line corridor survey. Her work entailed team coordination to complete a delineation in accordance with ACOE Northeastern supplemental guidelines, permitting requirements and internal data collection protocols. Ms. Rodrian was responsible for daily work progress coordination, data management, GIS/Trimble, data collection, flagging wetland boundaries and plant identification.

Wildlife Biologist, Michigan, Renewable Energy and Natural Resource Study, Michigan-based Confidential Client - Ms. Rodrian is currently serving as the lead wildlife biologist for a utility scale renewable energy study in central Michigan. Ms. Rodrian's role is to organize, implement and lead the natural resource field studies for the viability of renewable energy, including wind energy, for the client. Specific studies include a comprehensive desktop analysis and report, raptor and migration bird surveys, bat monitoring via Anabat detectors, wetland identification and delineations, Indiana bat habitat analysis and breeding bird surveys. Tetra Tech is currently conducting avian and bat studies, which include desktop reviews of local avian species and habitat data, coordination with the USFWS and the Michigan DNR. Ms. Rodrian also serves as GIS specialist and the primary point of contact for the client and any outside agencies regarding the field studies.

Wildlife Biologist, Erie County, OH, Firelands Wind Energy Project - Tetra Tech provided support for the preliminary environmental and engineering development efforts for a proposed 99 megawatt wind energy facility located in the Great Lakes Region of Ohio. Tetra Tech conducted avian and bat studies, which include desktop reviews of available species and habitat data, coordination with the USFWS, Ohio DNR and the OPSB. Specific studies include diurnal bird and raptor surveys, raptor nest searches and monitoring, bat monitoring via AnaBat detectors, breeding bird surveys, Indiana bat habitat assessment and mist netting surveys, and fall migratory bird/raptor surveys. Additionally, Tetra Tech conducted bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) point count surveys and nest monitoring/viability studies in accordance with the USFWS Eagle Conservation Plan Guidance and recently completed sandhill crane (*Grus canadensis*) surveys. Ms. Rodrian was a key member of the field team and supported all activities associated with the pre-construction surveys including wetland identification and delineation, GIS support, avian and bald eagle surveys, cultural surveys, bat studies, and permit identification and government/permitting communication.

Wildlife Biologist, Tipton County, Indiana, Prairie Breeze Wind Energy Project – Ms. Rodrian served as the lead wildlife biologist supporting all avian related field activities associated with this utility scale wind development support contract. Ms. Rodrian's activities included, but were not limited to, conducting avian migratory stopover point counts, raptor migration surveys, breeding bird surveys and habitat data collections as well as supporting GIS/GPS mapping activities. Ms. Rodrian was also responsible for the final environmental reports for Prairie Breeze and maintaining communication with local and federal government agencies. Ms. Rodrian also supported public outreach and a local public information session in the Tipton County community.

Wildlife Biologist, Lenawee County, Michigan, Cottonwood Wind Energy Project - Ms. Rodrian served as a wildlife biologist supporting all avian related field activities associated with this utility scale wind development support contract. Ms. Rodrian's activities included, but were not limited to, conducting avian studies, surveys

(including bald eagle surveys), and data collection as well as supporting GIS/GPS mapping activities. Ms. Rodrian was also responsible for the delivery of the final environmental reports for Prairie Breeze and for maintaining communication with the USFWS and all interested government agencies.

Junior Scientist, NY HUD Tier 2 Review, October 2013 - Ms. Rodrian served as support and wildlife specialist for the review of Tier 2 Environmental review applications in the Sandy relief efforts. Ms. Rodrian provided expert knowledge and techniques in the desktop review of Sandy relief applications for federal financial support. Her work under a tight deadline allowed Tetra Tech to meet a short notice deadline.

Ornithological Research, The Nature Conservancy, Ft. Hood, Texas – Ms. Rodrian served as a field research assistant for the director of The Nature Conservancy's golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) and Black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapilla*) research program on Ft. Hood, Texas. Ms. Rodrian was responsible for the survey of breeding individuals, nests, nest monitoring and banding of golden-cheeks on the military base. Ms. Rodrian received training in military procedures and safety practices on Ft. Hood, as well as extensive training on Texas Parks and Wildlife Department protocols for endangered species surveys.

Ornithological Research, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission – Ms. Rodrian was a field research assistant for the director of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Florida Scrub Jay (*Aphelocoma coerulescens*) research program in Punta Gorda, Florida. Ms. Rodrian was responsible for the survey of the western Florida coastal area of Charlotte County for potential habitat that is specific to the endangered Florida scrub jay, as well as the trapping, banding, and nest monitoring of the local population. Ms. Rodrian was in the unique position of surveying a large area of the Florida coast for species specific habitat and identifying the nesting potential habitat, as well as recording the areas with invasive vegetation that are no longer viable for the species.

Ornithological Research, Clemson University – Ms. Rodrian, in pursuit of a master's degree, performed regional avian research on Spring Island, South Carolina in conjunction with a non-profit organization, The Lowcountry Institute. Ms. Rodrian performed two years of independent field research on Spring Island to determine the Eastern bluebird breeding habitat and post-fledgling ecology. Spring Island also provided a unique opportunity to study the avian species of the east coast and brackish water estuaries and the management of the habitat, including prescribed burning, vegetation restoration and watershed management. Ms. Rodrian also had the opportunity to participate with Director Dr. Chris Marsh in the region-specific master naturalist course, which provided extensive hands-on experience with coastal ecology.

SCIENTIFIC/TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

Jordan, C.S. and Rodrian A.J. 2010. Connecting wildlife: Using the Reedy River greenway rails to trails project as a wildlife corridor. Proceedings of The Wildlife Society Annual Conference 2010.

Rodrian, AJ; Marra, PP; Lanham, JD; Baldwin, RF; Sharp, JL; Marsh, CR. 2010. Effects of supplemental feeding on Eastern bluebird (*Sialia sialis*) fecundity and post-fledgling ecology. Proceeding of The Wildlife Society Annual Conference 2010.

Rodrian, AJ; Marra, PP; Lanham, JD; Baldwin, RF; Sharp, JL; Marsh, CR. 2010. Effects of supplemental feeding on Eastern bluebird (*Sialia sialis*) fecundity and post-fledgling survival. Proceedings of the Annual AOU/COS/SCO Joint Conference 2010.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

ArcGIS Online 10.0, MS Excel, MS Word, MS Outlook, MS Access, Trimble GeoX, Terra Sync, Wildlife Acoustic SM3BAT monitor

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Summary: Correspondence of NTE Ohio, LLC in Compliance with Condition No. 15
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