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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Barcy McNeal
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Administration/Docketing
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
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**Re: Hardin Wind Energy LLC,
Case Nos. 09-479-EL-BGN and 11-3446-EL-BGA**

Dear Ms. McNeal:

The March 22, 2010 Opinion, Order, and Certificate (“Certificate”) approving Hardin Wind Energy LLC’s (“Hardin Wind Energy”) Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need established a set of conditions as part of the Certificate. On April 29, 2011 in Case No. 11-3446-EL-BGA, the Ohio Power Siting Board (“OPSB”) approved an amendment (“Amended Certificate”) to Hardin Wind Energy’s Certificate, which also established an additional set of conditions.

Within this set of conditions, **Certificate Condition No. 27** requires that:

Prior to construction, Hardin shall prepare a phase one cultural resources survey program for archaeological work at turbine locations, access roads, construction staging areas, and collection lines acceptable to staff. If the resulting survey work discloses a find of cultural or archaeological significance, or a site that could be eligible for inclusion on the NRHP, then the applicant shall submit an amendment, modification, or mitigation plan for staff's approval, and any mitigation effort shall be developed in coordination with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, with input from the Hardin County Historical Society, and submitted to staff for review and approval.

Certificate Condition No. 28 requires that:

Prior to the commencement of construction, Hardin shall conduct an architectural survey of the project area, and shall submit to staff a work program that outlines areas to be studied, with the focus starting in and around the villages of Alger, McGuffey, and Foraker, and the locations of the numerous schoolhouses identified in the application. If the architectural survey discloses a find of cultural or architectural significance, or a structure that could be eligible for inclusion on the NRHP, then Hardin shall submit an amendment, modification, or mitigation plan to staff. Any such mitigation effort shall be developed in coordination with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, with input from the Hardin County Historical Society, and submitted to staff for review and approval.

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Finally, **Amended Certificate Conditions No. 3** provides:

Prior to construction, Hardin shall update the phase 1 archaeological survey previously performed for the Hardin Wind Farm, to reflect changes in the project as described in this amendment, as acceptable to Staff, This updated phase I archaeological survey for the amended portion of the project shall be submitted to Staff and all signatories of the May 2011, MOU regarding cultural impacts. If the additional survey work discloses a finding of cultural or archaeological significance, or a site that could be eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, then Hardin shall submit an avoidance or mitigation plan for Staff's acceptance. Any such mitigation effort shall be developed in coordination with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, with input from the Hardin County Historical Museums, Inc., and submitted to Staff for review and acceptance.

In compliance with Certificate Condition Nos. 27, 28 and Amended Certificate No. 3, attached is a copy of a letter from Tetra Tech affirming that there have been no changes from the Phase I study.

If you have any questions please call at the number listed above.

Sincerely,



Sally W. Bloomfield

Attachment

cc: Derek Collins (w/Attachment)
Andrew Conway (w/Attachment)



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**Subject: Invenergy – Hardin Wind Project, Hardin County, Ohio
Task Order 8 – Cultural Resources
Investigation Results Regarding OPSB Condition 27, Condition 28 and Amendment 3**

Dear Mr. Truckor:

Early in October 2016, Tetra Tech cultural resources staff reviewed Ohio's cultural resource online mapping system maintained by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office. No archeological sites have been identified since 2011 when Tetra Tech last reviewed the site files for the Hardin Wind Project. This review satisfies Condition 27, Condition 28 and Amendment 3 of Ohio Power Siting Board's Order.

Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can assist with any additional requests.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sydne B. Marshall'.

Sydne B. Marshall, Ph.D., RPA
Cultural Resources Discipline Lead

cc: J. Dziekan (Tetra Tech)
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Summary: Correspondence of Hardin Wind Energy LLC in Compliance with Certificate Condition Nos. 27, 28, and Amended Certificate Condition No. 3 electronically filed by Teresa Orahoad on behalf of Sally W. Bloomfield