

April 18, 2019

Ms. Tanowa Troupe, Acting Secretary  
Ohio Power Siting Board  
Docketing Division  
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

**Re: Case No. 18-91-EL-BGN - In the Matter of the Application of Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct a Wind-Powered Electric Generation Facility in Paulding County, Ohio.**

**Compliance with Certificate Condition 1 and Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4906-4-09(A)(4)(d) – Herbicide Use**

Dear Ms. Troupe:

On February 21, 2019, Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC (“Applicant”) received its Certificate from the Ohio Power Siting Board (“Board”) authorizing it to construct a wind-powered electric generation facility in Paulding County, Ohio, subject to 26 conditions and the requirements in Ohio Administrative Code (“O.A.C.”) Rule 4906-4-09.

At this time, the Applicant is filing notice that it has complied with Condition 1 and O.A.C. Rule 4906-4-09(A)(4)(d). In accordance with the commitment in the Application and the O.A.C. Rule, the Applicant provided the attached memorandum pertaining to the use of herbicides to the Board’s Staff.

We are available, at your convenience, to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

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## memorandum

**To:** Katie Ware  
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**EDR Project No:** 17031

**From:** Lindsay Donahoe

**Date:** April 12, 2019

**Reference:** Timber Road IV Wind Farm

### Comments:

Environmental Design and Research, Landscape Architecture, Engineering, & Environmental Services, D.P.C. (EDR) prepared this memorandum regarding the planned use of herbicide during construction and operation of the Timber Road IV Wind Farm and associated Transmission Line on behalf of Paulding Wind Farm IV, LLC (the Applicant). As stated in the Section 4906-4-09(A)4)(d) of the Application to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB), the Applicant will limit, to the greatest extent possible, the use of herbicides in proximity to surface waters, including wetlands. The use of herbicide will not exist in or around identified wetlands or stream features, including Waters of the United States (WOTUS).

The Applicant prefers to address vegetative management on a localized level, responding to individual treatment of tall-growing woody plant species. As stated in Section 4906-4-08(B)(2)(b) of the OPSB Application, a buffer zone of at least 50 feet, known as the "Restricted Activity Area" will be established wherever Facility construction traverses, or comes in proximity to, wetlands or surface waters. Within this buffer, herbicide application will be prohibited. The Restricted Activity Area is described on the final construction drawings. In addition, the Applicant does not anticipate using herbicides for construction, operation, or maintenance of the transmission line.

The Applicant has committed to limiting herbicide use to the greatest extent possible, and will not use herbicide use within 50 feet of any wetland or surface water. Therefore, the impacts from herbicide use will be minimized and non-existent in surface waters and wetlands.

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Summary: Notice - Compliance with Certificate Condition 1 and Ohio Administrative Code Rule

4906-4-09(A)(4)(d) – Herbicide Use electronically filed by Christine M.T. Pirik on behalf of Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC