

Flat Hill Windpark I, LLC's Certificate of Need for a 201 Megawatt Large Energy Conversion System and Associated Facilities in Clay County |CN-08-951, WS-08-1134

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TOPICS

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ANSWERS

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SUMMARY OF TOPICS

SHOULD THE COMMISSION AMEND THE SITE PERMIT, AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS TO COMMENCE CONSTRUCTION AND TO OBTAIN A POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT OR OTHER ENFORCEABLE MECHANISM? 4

Answers · 0 Replies

· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · Aug 09, 2015 9:22 pm

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No. The developer still does not have a buyer. This is a large scale project and it is unlikely a buyer of similar size can be found. The developer is speculating that the political/fiscal climate will change and again support wind energy subsidy. This is unlikely.

· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · Aug 09, 2015 9:26 pm

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Recent research indicates a big impact on birds. This has not been adequately researched in this case. This park is close to prairie chicken habitat. There are large numbers of prairie chickens that will have to navigate around the 750 kilo volt power line to fly to feeding areas in the winter. The DNR and Buffalo River State Park staff have made no effort to protect these birds, which have been on the endangered species list before. There is recent evidence from a study that found that some birds completely abandoned the breeding area when a wind factory was introduced.

· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · Aug 09, 2015 9:28 pm

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. I continue to protest this taking by a government and a corporation to whom you have granted a permit to construct a wind factory the output of which is so large they cannot find a market. They are asking for more time because they are playing the political

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game. This game bets that the federal government renew subsidy for wind generated electricity. The government has subsidized this in the past and the end of this subsidy program is the other reason this project has not completed. Altogether this violates my property rights and constitutes an ongoing taking by the federal government. They are violating my property rights with this illegal corporate/government taking.

· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · Aug 16, 2015 9:06 pm

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Yes - the commission should amend the site permit, authorizing an additional two years to commence construction and to obtain a power purchase agreement or other enforceable mechanism.

SHOULD THE COMMISSION REVOKE THE SITE PERMIT PURSUANT TO MINN. RULE 7854.1200? 1 Answers · 0 Replies

· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · Aug 16, 2015 9:07 pm

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No - the Commission should not revoke the site permit pursuant to Minn. Rule 7854.1200.