

STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

PO Box 43172 • Olympia, Washington 98504-3172

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Pursuant to Chapter 463-47 WAC and WAC 197-11-340

For the

WILD HORSE WIND POWER PROJECT

REQUEST TO TRANFER THE SITE CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT

TO PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Description of current proposal: Wind Ridge Power Partners, LLC (referred to as Wind Ridge) is selling the certified Wild Horse Wind Power Project (Project), to Puget Sound Energy. Wind Ridge and Puget Sound Energy have jointly applied to EFSEC to transfer the Site Certification Agreement for the Wild Horse Wind Power Project to Puget Sound Energy

There will be no change to the Project design or to Site Certification Agreement conditions. Construction of the 158 to 312 megawatt wind Project has not started. Once the ownership and the Site Certification Agreement are transferred, Puget Sound Energy will be authorized to construct and operate the facility.

Proponents:

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Address and location of proposal: The Wild Horse Wind Power Project is located on 8,600 acres approximately 13 miles east of Ellensburg, Washington on Whiskey Dick Mountain, in eastern Kittitas County.

Titles of documents that have been previously adopted: The lead agency issued the Wild Horse Wind Power Project Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements for its review of the Project application for site certification.

Previously Adopted documents are available for inspection at: Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council, 925 Plum Street NE, Olympia, Washington, 98504-3172, Monday through Friday (excluding state holidays), from 8 am to 5 pm, and on the EFSEC web site at www.efsec.wa.gov.

Determination of Nonsignificance: This threshold determination is based on the information contained in the following documents and other information on file with the lead agency:

- Request for approval of the transfer of ownership of the Wild Horse Wind Power Project, from Wind Ridge Power Partners, LLC to Puget Sound Energy letter dated August 4, 2005 (available for inspection at www.efsec.wa.gov/wildhorse.html or the EFSEC office);
- Request to transfer the Site Certification Agreement for the Wild Horse Wind Power Project Environmental Checklist, August 10, 2005, also available on the EFSEC website listed above.

Lead agency action: Action on this proposal will be consistent with Chapter 463-66 WAC. The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council may take action to approve or deny this request following public comment during a Special Meeting as follows:

1:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 30, 2005 Hal Holmes Community Center 201 N Ruby Street Ellensburg, Washington 98206

Public Comment: This DNS is issued pursuant to Chapter 463-47 WAC and WAC 197-11-340. Comments on the request to transfer project ownership will be taken at the Special Meeting as noted above.

Responsible official: Allen J. Fiksdal **Position/title:** EFSEC Manager

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☒ There is no agency appeal.

Date: August 10, 2005

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Attachment: Environmental Checklist