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PSC to Hold Public Hearing for Proposed Rule Changes Related To Wind Farms

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing in Bismarck on Monday, Feb. 27, regarding proposed rule changes related to wind development in North Dakota.

The Commission is proposing rule changes that impact wind development, including the following requirements:

- Requiring new aircraft detection and lighting systems subject to Federal Aviation Administration approval. Click on the following link to view proposed changes: Sections 69-06-08-01 and 69-09-02-35.
- Strengthening decommissioning requirements and requiring decommissioning plans with financial assurances be filed for Commission approval prior to construction. Click on the following link to view proposed changes: Chapter 69-09-09.

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- When: Monday, Feb. 27, 2017 8:30 a.m. Central
- Where: Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol Building 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearing to share any concerns, questions or support/opposition to these proposed rules. Written comments will also be accepted and must be received by close of business on March 9, 2017.

The North Dakota Public Service Commission is a constitutionally created state agency with authority to permit, site and regulate certain business activities in the state including electric and gas utilities, telecommunications companies, power plants, electric transmission lines, pipelines, railroads, grain elevators, auctioneers, commercial weighing devices, pipeline safety and coal mine reclamation. For more information, contact the Public Service Commission at (701) 328-2400 or www.psc.nd.gov.

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