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To: Energy Facility Siting Council

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Subject: Agenda Item D (Action Item): Council Review and Decision on Proposed Retirement Plan and Application for Termination of the Perennial Wind Chaser Station Site Certificate for the September 27, 2022 Council Meeting

Attachments: Attachment 1: Draft Final Order on Proposed Final Retirement Plan and Application to Terminate Site Certificate

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The Oregon Department of Energy (Department) recommends the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC or Council) issue a combined final order authorizing: 1) approval of the proposed final retirement plan as the final retirement plan; and 2) termination of the site certificate.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

The Council granted issuance of a site certificate and amended site certificate for the Perennial Wind Chaser Station (facility) in 2015 and 2019 respectively; the site certificate authorized construction and operation of a 415 megawatt (MW) natural-gas combined cycle energy generation facility to be located in Umatilla County, near Hermiston. Construction of facility components, including an approximately 200-foot by 30-foot access road and access bridge crossing the Westland Irrigation District canal, commenced in September 2020. Following completion of construction of these components, no additional construction of previously approved components has occurred. The certificate holder is Perennial-Wind Chaser LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Perennial Power Holdings, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Corporation and Sumitomo Corporation of America.

AGENDA ITEM OVERVIEW

Agenda Item D includes Council review and decision on two procedural items pursuant to OAR 354-027-0110, Termination of a Site Certificate. The first is Council's review and approval or modification of the certificate holder's proposed retirement plan; and the second, if warranted, is Council's review and approval of the request to terminate the site certificate.

ATTACHMENT 1 – COMBINED DRAFT FINAL ORDER ON PROPOSED FINAL RETIREMENT PLAN AND APPLICATION TO TERMINATE SITE CERTIFICATE

Attachment 1 includes all applicable rules related to a request to terminate a site certificate and the Department’s recommended findings of facts, reasoning and conclusions of law. Attached to this document are the following:

- Proposed Final Retirement Plan and Application to Terminate Site Certificate
- Public Comments on Proposed Final Retirement Plan & Application to Terminate Site Certificate and Site Certificate Holder’s Response (see Attachment 2 of the draft Final Order)