Energy Facility Siting Council
Meeting Notice and Agenda

Boardman City Hall
200 City Center Circle
Boardman, OR

Thursday, December 14, 2017 – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, December 15, 2017 – 8:30 a.m.

Please Note: Every effort will be made to consider items as they are indicated. However, the Council agenda and the order of agenda items are subject to change.

Thursday, December 14

A. Consent Calendar (Information and Action Items) – Approval of minutes; Council Secretary Report and other routine Council business. Confirm EFSC’s 2018 meeting dates.


Friday, December 15

C. Consent Calendar (Information and Action Items) – Routine business.

D. [8:35 a.m.] Summit Ridge Wind Farm Informational Hearing on Transfer Request (Information Item) – Chase McVeigh-Walker, Siting Analyst. The Council will hold an informational hearing pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 345-027-0100(7) regarding the transfer of ownership of the Summit Ridge Wind Farm from the current certificate holder, Summit Ridge Wind, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Summit Ridge Wind Holdings, LLC, to Pattern Renewables 2 LP. The Council will accept public comments on the transfer request only during the hearing, which begins at 8:35 a.m. The informational hearing is not a contested case hearing. The Council will make a decision on the transfer request either at the Council meeting on December 15, 2017 under Agenda Item E or at a future Council meeting.

E. Summit Ridge Wind Farm Presentation on Transfer Request (Action Item) – Chase McVeigh-Walker, Siting Analyst. The Council will consider the certificate holder’s request to transfer ownership of the certificate holder. More information on the transfer request can be found on the department’s website at http://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/Pages/ SRW.aspx
F. Compliance Update (Information Item) – Duane Kilsdonk, Compliance Officer. The Council will be given a presentation on the Department’s energy facility compliance program.

Break

G. Rulemaking: Public Health and Safety Standards for Wind Facilities (Action Item) – Jason Sierman, Rulemaking Coordinator. The Council will receive an update on the rulemaking efforts related to OAR 345-024-0010, Public Health and Safety Standards for Wind Energy Facilities, including a summary of the recent Rulemaking Advisory Committee meeting. Council will have a discussion with staff, deliberate, and decide whether to continue or end this rulemaking project. If continuing, the Council will give staff direction on next steps.

H. Rulemaking: Carbon Dioxide (CO2) – Phase Two (Action Item) – Jason Sierman, Rulemaking Coordinator. The Council will receive a briefing from staff on how the Council’s CO2 emissions standards function and the process for evaluating and updating these standards. The CO2 emissions standards apply to base load gas plants, non-base load power plants, and non-generating energy facilities. If the Council decides it would like to evaluate and update these standards, the Council will consider appointing a Rulemaking Advisory Committee (RAC) to provide input to staff during staff’s evaluation of the CO2 standards. Staff’s evaluation would consist of finding the most efficient stand-alone combined-cycle combustion natural gas-fired energy facility that is commercially demonstrated and operating in the United States. Staff will provide the Council with a diverse list of persons and entities interested in participating as a RAC member. The Council may appoint any person or entity to the RAC and is not limited to the list provided by staff.

I. Rulemaking: Council’s 2018 Rulemaking Schedule (Action Item) – Jason Sierman, Rulemaking Coordinator. The Council will consider approving its 2018 rulemaking schedule. Staff will present a list of potential rulemaking projects, an estimate of the complexity of each rulemaking project and suggestions as to whether early public participation should be included as part of the rulemaking process for each rulemaking project. Staff will also provide a draft schedule of when each rulemaking project would be brought before the Council for additional Council direction, approval, or authorization (i.e. approval of an early public participation process or authorization to issue official public notice).

This agenda item will include a specific opportunity for public comment where any person may provide input to the Council on its 2018 rulemaking schedule.

Working Lunch

J. Annual Agenda Topics (Information Item) – Maxwell Woods, Senior Policy Advisor.

K. Election of Officers (Action Item) – Todd Cornett, Secretary.

Public Comment – This time is reserved for the public to address the Council regarding any item within the Council’s jurisdiction that is not otherwise closed for comment. Please note that the comment period on the proposed Boardman Solar Energy Facility closed on December 14, 2017, at the conclusion of the DPO hearing, and no additional comments may be provided.

Adjourn

Anticipated Future Energy Facility Siting Council Meetings: To be determined.

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