Attachment 2: Draft Order Granting an Extension of the Notice of Intent
BEFORE THE
ENERGY FACILITY SITING COUNCIL
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION FOR A SITE
CERTIFICATE FOR NOLIN
HILLS WIND POWER PROJECT

ORDER GRANTING AN EXTENSION OF
THE NOTICE OF INTENT EXPIRATION
DATE

On September 11, 2017, Nolin Hills Wind, LLC (the applicant) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to apply for a site certificate for the Nolin Hills Wind Power Project. In accordance with OAR 345-020-0060, the NOI will expire two years after submittal, or on September 11, 2019, unless the Council extends the expiration date.

On July 15, 2019, the applicant submitted a request to extend the NOI expiration date by one year, for a requested new expiration date of September 11, 2020. While the applicant originally expected to submit a preliminary application for site certificate (pASC) in February 2018, the applicant delayed submittal of the pASC to conduct season-dependent field surveys for sensitive wildlife species. The survey results enable the applicant to adjust the planned location of facility components. The applicant states that it is continuing to refine the siting of the proposed wind turbines as well as the route for the associated transmission line. The applicant requests the one-year extension to complete siting modifications and resource studies and to prepare and submit the pASC.

Pursuant to OAR 345-020-0060, the Council may extend the NOI expiration date for a period of up to one year if the applicant submits a petition to the Council not less than 45 days before the NOI expiration date and the Council finds that the petition shows good cause. The applicant submitted its extension request more than 45 days before the September 11, 2019 expiration date.

The Council finds that the applicant has shown good cause for extension of the NOI expiration date and that an extension of one year is reasonable.

THEREFORE, the Council hereby extends the expiration date of the NOI for the Nolin Hills Wind Power Project and specifies a new expiration date of September 11, 2020.

Barry Beyeler, Chair
Date
Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council