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November 8, 2002

RE: PUCT Control No. 14406 – Registration of NTWC-3 as a Qualifying Facility

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to P.U.C. Substantive Rule 25.105, NTWC-3, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Applicant"), hereby registers Applicant's North Texas Wind Center-3 wind generation facility (the "Facility") as a Qualifying Facility ("QF"). Enclosed are one signed original of this QF Registration (with a copy of the Notice of Self-Certification filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and an original affidavit attached) and seven photocopies of this QF Registration.

Please be advised that affiliates of Applicant are simultaneously registering two additional, separate wind energy facilities (North Texas Wind Center-1 and North Texas Wind Center-2) as QFs, which are located in the vicinity of the Facility. For the avoidance of doubt, Applicant hereby confirms that in no event will any generator of the Facility be located within one mile of any generator that is part of either North Texas Wind Center-1 or North Texas Wind Center-2.

1. Name and address of registrant:

NTWC-3, LLC 144 S. Spalding Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90212

2. Person to whom communications should be addressed:

E. Jay Lobit Manager NTWC-3, LLC 144 S. Spalding Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90212 Phone (818) 757-1779 Fax (310) 943-1530

jlobit@gpwind.com

3. Names and types of business of registrant's owners.

The Facility is 100 percent owned by Applicant. Applicant is 100 percent owned by North Texas Wind Center, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("North Texas"). North Texas is 100 percent owned by Great Plains Windpower, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("Great Plains"). Great Plains is 100 percent owned by individuals (the "Individuals"). Neither North Texas, Great Plains nor any of the Individuals (a) is engaged in the generation or sale of electric power or (b) has any ownership or operating interest in any electric facilities, other than qualifying facilities.

4. Names and addresses of affiliates that sell electricity at wholesale in Texas, sell electricity at retail in Texas or are electric or municipally owned utilities in Texas.

Applicant has no affiliates that (a) sell electricity at retail in Texas or (b) are an electric or municipally owned utility in Texas. Two of Applicant's affiliates, NTWC-1, LLC and NTWC-2, LLC, both of which are QFs, expect to sell electricity on a wholesale basis to utilities in Texas. The address of each of NTWC-1, LLC and NTWC-2, LLC is 144 S. Spalding Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90212.

- 5. Description of existing facilities providing electric service in Texas.
 - (a) Name of Facility: North Texas Wind Center-3
 - (b) Net dependable capacity: Approximately 77.5 MW
 - (c) Primary fuel: wind Secondary fuel: none
 - (d) **Technology**: Wind turbine generators
 - (e) If a QF, the maximum amount of capacity in MW reserved to serve steam host by year. Not applicable for wind energy facility
 - (f) Location: Hansford County, Texas
 Utility service area: Xcel Energy, Inc.
 Control Area: Xcel Energy, Inc.
 - (g) Reliability Council: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
 - (h) Commercial operation date: December, 2003 (expected)

6. Generating units planned or under construction:

A total of 44 to 80 wind turbine generators depending upon the vendor that is selected.

7. Copy of all information supplied to FERC in connection with filing as a QF subsequent to May 23, 1999.

A copy of the FERC Form 556 "Certification of Qualifying Facility Status for a Proposed Small Power Production Facility" filed by Applicant with FERC on November 8, 2002 is attached to this QF Registration as Exhibit 1.

8. Affidavit declaring Qualifying Facility.

An affidavit declaring that the Facility is a Qualifying Facility is attached to this QF Registration as Exhibit 2.

Exhibit 1 NOTICE OF SELF-CERTIFICATION FILED WITH FERC

NTWC-3, LLC

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Office of the Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D. C. 20426

November 8, 2002

RE: NTWC-3 - Notice of Self-Certification as a Small

Power Production Qualifying Facility (new filing)

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the procedures set forth in Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 292.207(a), NTWC-3, LLC ("Applicant") hereby submits a Notice of Self-Certification for a proposed small power production facility (the "Facility") that meets the Commission's ownership and technical criteria for a qualifying facility ("QF"), as set forth in 18 CFR Section 292.203(a). Enclosed are a signed original and 14 copies of a completed FERC Form No. 556 relating to this Notice of Self-Certification.

Please be advised that affiliates of Applicant are simultaneously submitting Notices of Self-Certification to the Commission for two additional, separate wind energy facilities (NTWC-1 and NTWC-2), which are located in the vicinity of the Facility. For the avoidance of doubt, Applicant hereby confirms that in no event will any generator of the Facility be located within one mile of any generator that is part of either of the other two QFs.

Please assign a QF docket number to the Facility and return one copy of the Notice of Self-Certification, indicating the assigned docket number, to Applicant as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your timely action in connection with this filing.

Respectfully.

Bruce I. Drucker

Manager,

NTWC-3, LLC

cc: Public Utility Commission of Texas

Xcel Energy, Inc.

FERC Form 556

CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFYING FACILITY STATUS FOR A PROPOSED SMALL POWER PRODUCTION FACILITY

Part A: General Information of Applicant

1a. Name of Applicant:

The applicant filing this FERC Form 556 is NTWC-3, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Applicant"). This filing is for the purpose of self-certification of a proposed small power production facility (the "Facility"), and to demonstrate the Facility's conformance with the qualification criteria of Title 18 Code of Federal Regulations Section 292.203(a)(i).

1b. Address of Applicant:

NTWC-3, LLC 144 S. Spalding Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90212

1c. Ownership:

The Facility is 100 percent owned by Applicant. Applicant is 100 percent owned by North Texas Wind Center, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("North Texas"). North Texas is 100 percent owned by Great Plains Windpower, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company ("Great Plains"). Great Plains is 100 percent owned by individuals (the "Individuals"). Neither North Texas, Great Plains nor any of the Individuals (a) is engaged in the generation or sale of electric power or (b) has any ownership or operating interest in any electric facilities, other than qualifying facilities. Accordingly, Applicant has no direct or indirect ownership by any electric utility or electric utility holding company.

Once the Facility is placed in service, the operator of the Facility will be North Texas, or a to-be-determined, third-party operator with experience in operating wind energy facilities.

1d. Authorized individual:

The following authorized individual hereby attests to the accuracy and authenticity of the information provided in this QF certification:

Bruce I. Drucker, Manager

2. Contact Person:

E. Jay Lobit Manager 144 S. Spalding Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90212 Tel: (818) 757-1779

Email: ilobit@gpwind.com

3a. Facility Location:

The Facility will be located in Hansford County, Texas, on land approximately 12 miles northeast of Gruver, Texas.

3b. Transacting Electric Utility:

Interconnection will be with a transmission line currently owned by Xcel Energy, Inc. ("Xcel Energy") and operated by Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS"), an operating subsidiary of Xcel Energy. It is currently contemplated that Xcel Energy will be the electric utility that will purchase the electric energy output of the Facility. Subject to the agreement of Applicant, alternative arrangements may include the transmission by Xcel Energy of some or all of the electric energy output from the Facility to another electric utility, for purchase by such other electric utility pursuant to the provisions of 18 CFR Section 292.303(d).

Xcel Energy, through its operating subsidiary SPS, will be the electric utility that will provide the Facility with supplementary power, backup power, maintenance power and interruptible power service.

4a. Principal Facility Components:

Subject to final selection of the equipment vendor for the Facility's wind turbine generators ("WTGs"), the wind energy facility will consist of multiple WTGs, each with a rated electric output capacity of 1 MW or more. Other equipment comprising the Facility will include an electric switchyard, step-up transformer and related electric equipment necessary to enable the generation voltage of the WTGs to be stepped-up to either 115 kV or 345 kV for delivery to the nearby transmission lines.

4b. Electric Power Production Capacity:

The maximum gross electric power production capacity of the Facility will be approximately 79.5 MW. The net electric power production capacity at the point of delivery (i.e., the high-side of the transformer) is expected to be

approximately 77.5 MW, based on combined collection and transformer losses of approximately 2.5%.

4c. Installation and Operation Dates:

Expected installation: May 2003 through December 2003;

Expected operation: prior to December 31, 2003

4d. Primary Energy Input:

The only energy input for the Facility is wind.

5. Fossil Fuel Energy Input:

No fossil fuel energy will be used by the Facility to generate electricity.

6. Other Particular Characteristics:

There are no other particular characteristics that might bear on the qualifying status of the Facility.

Part B: Description of the Small Power Production Facility

7. Fossil Fuel Use

No fossil fuel will be used by the Facility (see Item 5 above). Therefore, fossil fuel use will not exceed 25% of the total annual energy input.

8. Non-eligible QFs within 1-mile:

There is no other "non-eligible facility" (as defined in Section 3(17)(E) of the Federal Power Act) located within one mile of the Facility, whether owned by Applicant, any affiliate or upstream owner of Applicant or otherwise.

Exhibit 2

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

- 1. That I am of full legal age and that my business address is NTWC-3, LLC, 144 S. Spalding Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90212;
- 2. That I am a Manager of NTWC-3, LLC;
- 3. That the purpose of this Affidavit is to verify that North Texas Wind Center-3 is a Qualifying Facility, as that term is defined in Sec. 31.002(14) of the Texas Utilities Code; and
- 4. I have reviewed the Registration of North Texas Wind Center-3 as a Qualifying Facility, and the information included therein is true.

Bruce I. Drucker Manager, NTWC-3, LLC

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME this 7th day of November, 2002.

CARA BOLLIER
Commission # 1376175
Notary Public - California
Los Angeles County
My Comm. Expires Oct 20, 2006

Notary Public in and for the State of California, County of Los Angeles