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APPLICATION OF LIMESTONE WIND PROJECT LLC FOR A RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDIT GENERATOR CERTIFICATION

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

On May 24, 2022, Limestone Wind Project LLC (Limestone Wind) filed an application for certification as a renewable energy credit (REC) generator, under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.173(o). Limestone Wind is registered with the Commission as a power generation company under registration number 20678. Limestone Wind indicated that the metered generation eligible for RECs is 299.2 MW.

I. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed Limestone Wind's application and as supported by the attached memorandum of Grace Godines of the Commission' s Customer Protection Division, recommends that the application is sufficient and complies with 16 TAC § 25.173(o). Therefore, Staff recommends that the application be approved.

II. CONCLUSION

Staff recommends that Limestone Wind's application be found sufficient and approved. Staff respectfully requests the issuance of an order consistent with the foregoing recommendation. Dated: June 8, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS LEGAL DIVISION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, notice of the filing of this document was provided to all parties of record via electronic mail on June 8, 2022, in accordance with the Order Suspending Rules, issued in Project No. 50664.

/s/ Kevin R. Bartz Kevin R. Bartz

Memorandum

TO: Kevin Bartz – Attorney, Legal Division

FROM: Grace Godines – Analyst, Customer Protection Division

DATE: June 8, 2022

RE: Project No. 53650 – Application of Limestone Wind Project LLC for a Renewable Energy Credit Generator Certification

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

On May 24, 2022, Limestone Wind Project LLC (Limestone Wind or the Company) filed an application to certify its Limestone Wind Project LLC facility as a renewable energy credit (REC) generator under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 25.173(o). Limestone Wind is registered with the Commission as a power generation company under registration number 20678. Limestone Wind indicated that the metered generation eligible for RECs is 299.2 MW.

Under 16 TAC § 25.173(o)(1), a power generation company must demonstrate that the facility meets the eligibility criteria as outlined in 16 TAC § 25.173(e), which states that in order for a renewable facility to produce RECs and compliance premiums in the trading program it must either be a new facility, a small producer, or a repowered facility. Limestone Wind meets this requirement because its Limestone Wind Project LLC facility qualifies as a new facility. In its application Limestone Wind also included the location, owner, technology, and rated capacity of the facility as required under 16 TAC § 25.173(o)(1).

After reviewing Limestone Wind's application, I find that the Company has provided all of the information required under 16 TAC § 25.173(o) and that the Limestone Wind Project LLC facility qualifies as a renewable resource under 16 TAC § 25.173(e). Therefore, I recommend that the Limestone Wind Project LLC facility be certified as a REC generator. The approximate metered generation eligible for RECs is 299.2 MW. The Limestone Wind Project LLC facility will not be eligible to produce RECs until an order is issued approving the application.

Any subsequent changes to the information in the application are to be submitted to the Commission as supplements to this filing within 30 days of such changes.