Memo

Project No. 2637A

To: Kaitlyn McGlade (NDMNRF)

From: Kayla Mimms (NRSI)

Date: April 4, 2022

Re: Nation Rise Wind Farm: Mortality Monitoring Turbine Subset Selection

Natural Resource Solutions Inc. (NRSI) was retained to conduct certain operational monitoring components for the Nation Rise Wind Farm (Project), in accordance with the Renewable Energy Approvals regulation, Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09. The Project is located in the Township of North Stormont, Ontario and consists of 29 turbines with a total nameplate capacity of 100MW.

In accordance with the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) granted on May 4, 2018 (No. 0871-AV3TFM), the Project must implement post-construction bird and bat mortality monitoring, as described in the EEMP, at a minimum subset of 10 turbines, including at turbine T46, if it is constructed. A subset of 10 turbines was approved as part of the EEMP, with an understanding that it may require adjustment based on the as-built Project layout, including adjustments in consideration of turbines that were not built and/or the results of pre-construction surveys which may inform the selection of turbines in proximity to Significant Wildlife Habitats.

This memo has been prepared to provide the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) with the proposed turbine subset selection for post-construction bird and bat mortality monitoring required at the Project in accordance with the REA.

EEMP Turbine Subset Selection

In accordance with provincial guidelines, the 10 turbines selected for post-construction bird and bat mortality monitoring must consider factors such as geographic representation, proximity to natural features, and proximity to Significant Wildlife Habitats. In consideration of the constructed layout and other site-specific conditions, NRSI has used these selection criteria to make proposed revisions to the turbine subset selection that was presented in the EEMP, as summarized in the table below and shown on Map 1.

Original Subset	New Monitoring Subset	Rationale
T04	T04	No change
T10	T10	No change
	T16	Added; similar geography to T58, which wasn't constructed
T18	T18	No change
	T21	Added; similar geography to T25, which is no longer proposed in the subset

Original Subset	New Monitoring Subset	Rationale
T25		Removed; not a preferred turbine for regular searches
T27		Removed; not a preferred turbine for regular searches
	T29	 Added; similar geography to T27, which is no longer proposed in the subset
	T35	Added; similar geography to T43, which wasn't constructed
T43		Removed; not constructed
T46	T46	No change
	T48	 Added; nearby to a similar Significant Wildlife Habitat as T27, which is not a preferred turbine
T54	T54	No change
T57		Removed; near a habitat that was confirmed <u>not</u> Significant Wildlife Habitat
T58		Removed; not constructed

Despite minor changes to the subset that was approved in the EEMP, the revised monitoring subset has been selected to maintain similar geographic representation across the Project, similar proximity to landscape features (e.g., wooded habitat, open agriculture, etc.), and similar proximity to Significant Wildlife Habitats, as compared with the subset selection that was initially provided in the approved EEMP.

After reviewing the attached map and selected turbine subset, NRSI requests confirmation from the NDMNRF regarding the chosen EEMP subset.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this memo, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Best Regards,

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