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Minnesota Department of Commerce
Notice of Public Information Meeting
January 10, 2006, 7:30 p.m.
Lake Wilson American Legion
Lake Wilson, Minnesota
Site Permit Application and Draft Site Permit
For the
Fenton Wind Power Plant
In
Murray and Nobles Counties
MPUC Docket No. PT6499/WS-05-1707

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public information meeting will be held on the application by enXco Development Corporation to build up to a 205.5 megawatt (MW) large wind energy conversion system (LWECS). The public meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m., on **Tuesday, January 10, 2006**, at the Lake Wilson American Legion, 133 Broadway Avenue, Lake Wilson, Minnesota.

Staff of the Minnesota Department of Commerce (MDOC) will conduct the meeting and review the state's wind energy site permitting process and Public Utilities Commission (PUC) authorized Draft Site Permit. Please note that the authority for wind permits was transferred to the PUC from the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board on July 1, 2005, and responsibility for conducting the public review process was assigned to the MDOC. Representatives of the applicant (enXco) will be at the meeting to describe the proposed project and answer questions.

Project Description

The Fenton Wind Power Plant (Project) is a Large Wind Energy Conversion System of approximately 205.5 MW and will consist of up to 137 wind turbines. The turbines will be either the GE Wind 1.5 MW or similar wind turbine model mounted on freestanding tubular steel towers. The towers will be 80 meters (262 feet) in height. The blades on the wind turbines are 38.5 meters (126 feet) long, resulting in a maximum overall height of 118.5 meters (389 feet) when one blade is in the vertical position. The rotor diameter will be 77 meters (253 feet). The Project will also require a 34.5 kV electrical collection and feeder system to deliver power from each turbine to the new Fenton Substation, located in section 20 of Fenton Township. Other associated facilities will include pad mounted step-up transformers for each wind turbine and access roads.

Proposed Site Location

As shown on the accompanying map, the proposed project site is located in southern Murray and northern Nobles counties, near the town of Chandler. In Murray County, the site includes parts of Chanarambie, Moulton and Fenton townships; and in Nobles County, the site includes parts of Leota and Wilmont townships. The total project site area including the wind plant and land easements is approximately 38,400 acres. The total development consists of approximately 65 acres.

PUC Site Permit Review Process

enXco Development Corporation (enXco) filed a site permit application, on behalf of Fenton Power Partners, LLC, with the Public Utilities Commission on November 28, 2005, for the 205.5 MW LWECs project, which the PUC accepted on December 15, 2005. The DOC is now reviewing the Fenton Wind Power Plant site permit application under the Wind Siting Act (Minnesota Statutes, sections 116C.691 - 116C.697) and the PUC Wind Permitting Rules (Minnesota Rules, Chapter 4401). Upon completion of the review requirements, the MDOC will present the record of this matter to the PUC for a final decision.

Public Comments

The site permit application, Draft Site Permit and the agency rules guiding the review process are available on the PUC website at:

<http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/Docket.html?Id=18236>

Interested persons may comment on the site permit application and Draft Site Permit at the public meeting or may submit written or fax (651-297-1959) comments by 4:30 p.m. on **February 1, 2006. Please include the following docket number (PT6499/WS-05-1707).** Written comments should be directed to: Sharon Ferguson, Department of Commerce, 85 7th Place East, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55101-2198.

DOC Project Contacts

Questions about the project and the PUC permitting process may be directed to: Larry B. Hartman, Department of Commerce, 85 7th Place East, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55101-2198; Tel: 651-296-5089; Fax 651-297-7891; **e-mail** larry.hartman@state.mn.us. David Birkholz, with the DOC staff, has been appointed as the public advisor to assist and advise citizens on how to participate in the site permit process. He can be contacted at: Tel: 651-296-2878 or e-mail: david.birkholz@state.mn.us and the mailing address above.

Questions about the Fenton Site Permit Application can also be directed to the applicant by contacting Ian Krygowski at 612-746-0770 or IanK@enxco.com, 10 Second St., Suite 107, Minneapolis, MN 55413.

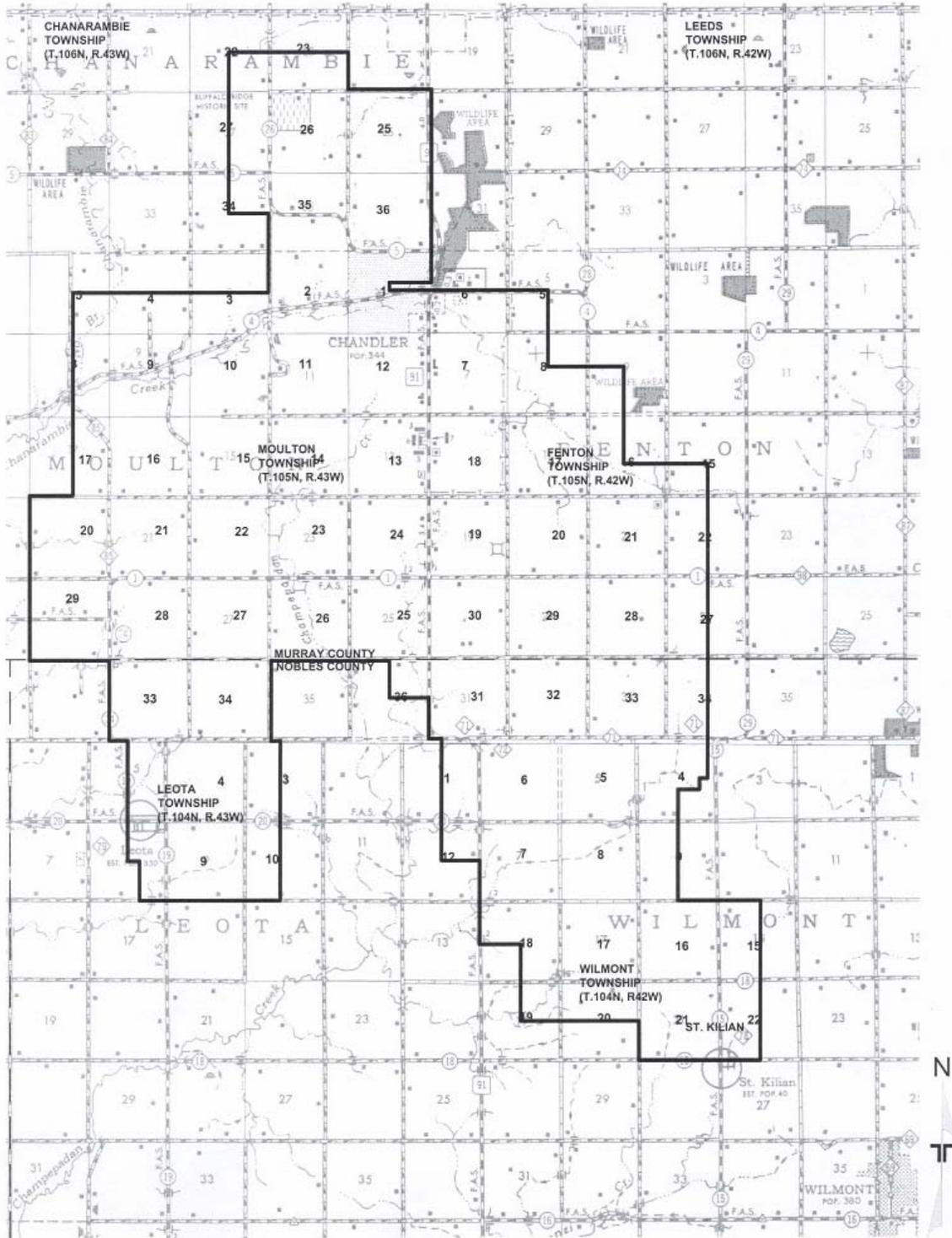
Hearing Request

Any person may request a contested case hearing in this matter. All contested case hearing requests must be filed with Sharon Ferguson (address above) in writing by 4:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 1, 2006**. The person requesting the public hearing must list the issues to be addressed in the hearing and the reasons why a hearing is required to resolve those issues. The MPUC shall order a contested case hearing if it finds that a material issue of fact has been raised and that the holding of the hearing will aid the PUC in making a final decision on the site permit application.

Project Background Information

Copies of the site permit application for the Fenton Wind Power Plant and the PUC authorized Draft Site Permit have been distributed to affected landowners, and township, county and state officials. Copies of the application and Draft Site Permit are available for review at the Auditor's Offices in Murray and Nobles counties, and the city offices in Chandler. All project documents are available on the PUC Web site at:

<http://energyfacilities.puc.state.mn.us/Docket.html?Id=18236> or on the PUC Web site at: <http://www.puc.state.mn.us/index.htm> (See eDockets at (05-1707).



ENSCO FENTON WIND POWER PLANT