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BEFORE THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITIES SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

In the Matter of)
Application No 2003-01)
SAGEBRUSH POWER PARTNERS, L.L.C.)
KITTITAS VALLEY WIND)
POWER PROJECT)
_____)

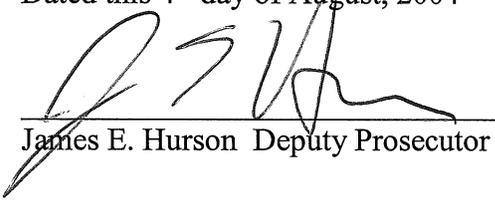
KITTITAS COUNTY
RESPONSE TO LATHROP
MOTION TO STAY

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Kittitas County concurs and joins in Intervenor Lathrop's Motion to Stay Adjudicative Proceedings. In addition to the arguments raised in Lathrop's motions, it is important to note that unlike the other types of facilities that EFSEC reviews, wind power generation facilities such as proposed by the applicant in this case are *not required* to seek site certification. RCW 80.50.060. GMA was enacted for the sound policy decision to coordinate and plan growth. Unlike RCW 80.50, the GMA *requires* the consideration of thirteen separate and often competing goals in this balancing of various public policies in making decision that impact local land use: urban growth, reduce sprawl, transportation, housing, economic development, property rights, permits, natural resource industries, open space and recreation, environment, citizen participation and coordination, public facilities and services, and historic preservation. RCW 36.70A.020. The authority to consider the appropriate balance of those policies and objectives in Kittitas County lies solely within the purview of the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners, not with EFSEC.

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Dated this 4th day of August, 2004


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