Request to Terminate the Typha and Fumaria Site Certificate Agreements

WAC 463-66-020

Termination.

Termination of a site certification agreement (SCA), except pursuant to its own terms, is an amendment of the agreement.

WAC 463-66-030

Request for amendment.

A request for amendment of a site certification agreement shall be made in writing by a certificate holder to the council. The council will consider the request and determine a schedule for action at the next feasible council meeting. The council may, if appropriate and required for full understanding and review of the proposal, secure the assistance of a consultant or take other action at the expense of the certificate holder. The council shall hold one or more public hearing sessions upon the request for amendment at times and places determined by the council.

WAC 463-66-040

Amendment review.

In reviewing any proposed amendment, the council shall consider whether the proposal is consistent with:

1. The intention of the original SCA;
2. Applicable laws and rules;
3. The public health, safety, and welfare; and
4. The provisions of chapter 463-72 WAC.

RESPONSE: TUUSSO Energy, LLC will not proceed with the construction and operation of the Typha and Fumaria solar PV generation facilities and requests that the corresponding Site Certificate Agreements be fully and finally terminated. The reason for this request relates to the commercial impossibility to interconnect into the Puget Sound Energy transmission system, due to significant transmission system upgrade costs. This limitation and impediment is not transitory. It will persist, rendering the construction and operation of these two generation facilities to be impracticable. This impediment does not preclude or in any way limit the commercial capability of the three remaining generation facilities, where significant transmission system upgrades are not required.

This request is consistent with the overall scheme of the Columbia Solar Project’s intention to provide clean, renewable energy to the Northwest, in compliance with applicable laws and rules, and furthering the intent and purpose of the public health, safety and welfare. Because no construction activities have
commenced on the Typha and Fumaria generation sites, the provisions of chapter 463-72 WAC are not implicated. TUUSSO has taken action and notified the underlying landowners of the intent to terminate the projects.