



September 27, 2022

Sonia Bumpus  
EFSEC Manager  
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**Subject: Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC Second Extension Request (Agency Docket #EF-210011)**

Dear Sonia,

This letter requests the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council's agreement that the processing time of the Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC Application be extended an additional seven (7) months, to July 8, 2023.

The Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC Application for Site Certification was filed with EFSEC on February 8, 2021. RCW 80.50.100 requires that: *"The council shall report to the governor its recommendations as to the approval or rejection of an application for certification within twelve months of receipt by the council of such an application, or such later time as is mutually agreed by the council and the applicant."*

Through discussions with EFSEC staff, we understand the preparation of the SEPA draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been further delayed. At this time, we are anticipating the draft EIS will be published for public comment in the fourth quarter of 2022, and then the adjudicatory hearing, preparation of the final EIS, Council recommendation and Governor's decision would follow.

While we certainly hope that a recommendation from EFSEC and a decision by the Governor will occur by the first quarter of 2023 to keep pace with regional utility clean energy supply procurement in the Pacific Northwest being driven by Washington and neighboring State's aggressive goals for significant reduction in greenhouse gas production, we also want to allow adequate time for all parties and agencies to have a robust engagement in the process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Rucker" with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Michael Rucker

President and CEO, Scout Clean Energy