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Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council P.O. Box 43172 Olympia, WA 98501-3172

Attn: Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC Manager

RE: Horse Heaven Hills Wind Farm, LLC. – Scout Clean Energy, LLC.

Final Environmental Impact Statement

We have reviewed the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) including the applicant's traffic impact analysis (TIA) and have the following comments.

- The proposed project is in the vicinity of the following four highways entirely under the control and responsibility of the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). Interstate 82 (I-82), State Route 14 (SR 14), State Route 221 (SR 221), and State Route 397 (SR 397). Access restrictions for each of these highways were outline in our previous comments to EFSEC dated March 24 and June 9 of 2021.
- We concur with the findings of the project's TIA, including the requirement to consult with WSDOT on the development of a construction-state traffic and safety management plan.
- All loads transported on WSDOT rights-of-way must be within the legal size and load limits or have a valid oversize and/or overweight permit, if allowed. The applicant is responsible for the safe transportation of materials and adherence to permit conditions.
- The proponent should be aware, utility crossing permits are required for each proposed highway crossing. To coordinate this work and obtain the necessary permits, the proponent is required to contact the WSDOT South Central Region Utilities Engineer, Jamil Anabtawi. He can be reached at (509) 577-1785. No open cutting of the highways will be allowed.

• Surveying, geometric design, or any other activities or work proposed inside WSDOT rights-of-way are required to follow current WSDOT permitting, design documentation, and approval processes. In addition, any proposed modification(s) to I-82 must be reviewed and approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The proponent should coordinate any proposed modification to the state highway system with this office as early as possible. It is anticipated that the proponent will reimburse WSDOT for all direct and indirect-related costs incurred for this project.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposal. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jacob Prilucik at (509) 577-1635.

Sincerely,

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Region Planning Engineer

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cc: SR82, File #2021 004

Jamil Anabtawi, Region Utilities Engineer