



STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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April 29, 2024

The Honorable Jay Inslee
Office of the Governor
Post Office Box 40002
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Dear Governor Inslee:

Subject: Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project – Recommendation for Approval

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC or Council) has completed its review of the Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project (Project). Scout Clean Energy, LLC (Scout, or Applicant) to construct and operate a renewable energy generation facility including wind and solar energy generation with battery energy storage systems (BESS) and supporting facilities. For reasons explained fully in the Recommendation Report, the Council recommends approval of the Project with conditions listed in the draft Site Certification Agreement (SCA).

In making this recommendation, the Council has carefully considered the record before it along with the statutory directive to protect the interests of all Washingtonians in the siting of energy facilities. Included with the Recommendation Report is the draft SCA, the Final Environmental Impact Statement, the Order determining Land Use Consistency, the Order containing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law following the adjudicative proceedings, and public comments received orally during public meetings and in writing. The SCA lists the specific terms and conditions that EFSEC has identified for construction, operation and site restoration. The Council has determined that the conditions listed in the SCA will ensure that the interests of the public and the environment are protected.

RCW 80.50.010 requires that within sixty days of receipt of the Council's recommendation, you do one of the following: a) approve the Application by executing the site certification agreements; b) reject the Application; or c) direct the Council to reconsider certain aspects of the proposed site certification agreements. Please consider the date of this letter as the beginning of the sixty day gubernatorial review.

If your decision is to approve the Project, please execute the included site certification agreement by signing the document.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Drew
EFSEC Chair