

La Casa Wind, LLC

October 18, 2024

Stephens County, Texas Attn: Michael Roach, County Judge 200 West Walker Breckenridge, Texas 76424

Re: Road Use Plan required by the Tax Abatement Agreement by and between La Casa Wind, LLC ("La Casa") and Stephens County, Texas ("County") dated March 11, 2024, as amended by First Amendment to Tax Abatement Agreement dated May 13, 2024 (collectively, the "Tax Abatement Agreement")

Dear Judge Roach,

Pursuant to Section 1.2 of the Tax Abatement Agreement, La Casa hereby requests an extension through December 31, 2025 to complete the project with an estimated Commercial Operation date planned for June 30, 2025.

As required by the amended Tax Abatement Agreement Section 3.2:

- (i) This communication is intended to serve notice that our crews will plan to begin preconstruction activities October 23rd, 2024 which will include tree and brush clearing, the establishment of a laydown yard for initial deliveries and a safety check point, as well as final surveys before unrestricted construction access begins. Currently, La Casa Wind, LLC construction crews are planning for unrestricted construction access on November 18th, 2024. These activities are expected to take place under the project reaches commercial operation, planned for June 30, 2025.
- (ii) For onsite contact throughout the construction process, please coordinate with Jason Hunter, Execution Manager (Jason.Hunter@nexteraenergy.com) Mailing address; 700 Universe Blvd, Juno Beach, FL 33408 NextEra Energy Renewable Services authorized representative Cell: 254-722-8928
- (iii) The required depiction of site plan and point of access are enclosed herewith.
- (iv) Please see the following plan for widening County Roads detailed below. The timing of the following road improvements will be 3rd week of November through the end of January. The conditions set forth in this Road Use Plan shall be in addition to the requirements set forth in the Tax Abatement Agreement, including, specifically, but without limitation, the definition of Road Upgrade and the conditions for using County Roads as set forth in Section 3.2 (a) of the Tax Abatement Agreement. Likewise, this Road Use Plan shall not be deemed a waiver of any portion of the Tax Abatement Agreement, including, specifically, but without limitation, Sections 3.2 (b) through (e).

- a. The current plan will temporarily widen a portion of County Road 131 at this time. The Eastern half of CR 131, which is access to Turbines 8-11 and 12-15, will have to be widened as it is currently a two-track pig trail. Approximately 4,500' of the Eastern portion of CR 131 will be widened to a minimum of 16' as well as trees trimmed on either side to allow transport of turbine components to turbines 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, & 15. The disturbance limits are 80' wide along this section of road. Please see attached mark-up of the haul route.
- b. County Road 132: 1/2 mile2,300 feet of 6" of 1-1/2" flex base shall be placed on the road, which road shall have a crown with ditch reclaiming and a crown on the road. The ditch on either side of the road shall be reclaimed, or if no such ditch exists then ditches shall be established along the entire length of the road to be used by La Casa.
- c. County Road 131: The entire length of the road will receive 6" of 1-1/2" flex base with ditch reclaiming and a crownand will be crowned. The ditch on either side of the road shall be reclaimed, or if no such ditch exists then ditches shall be established along the entire length of the road. Additionally, replace all existing 4 culverts will be replaced with new concrete culverts concrete and install-1 new cattle guard and a-swing gate will be installed.
- d. County Road 174: 6" of 1-1/2" flex base shall be placed on the road, which road shall have a crown.with ditch reclaiming and a crown on the road. The ditch on either side of the road shall be reclaimed, or if no such ditch exists then ditches shall be established along the entire length of the road to be used by La Casa. Install 1 new cattle guard and a swing gate.
- e. County Road 128: <u>6" of 1-1/2" flex base shall be placed on the road, which road shall have a crown. The ditch on either side of the road shall be reclaimed, or if no such ditch exists then ditches shall be established along the entire length of the road. ReplaceAll existing culverts will be replaced with new concrete culverts, and proceed with chip sealing the road uponpromptly, in accordance with the Tax Abatement Agreement, following the completion of the construction work the entire road shall be chip sealed. Prior to commencing the chip sealing process an additional three inches of 1" flex base shall be placed on the road.</u>
- f. **Total Construction Length**: We estimate a total of 3.51 miles of County Road will be used. Exact locations will be provided as soon as possible.
- g. **Traffic Restriction on County Road 128**: No construction traffic during service times for New Hope Baptist Church (Sunday noon, Wednesday evening). For special occasion services such as funerals, the construction manager will be notified at least 48 hours in advance.
- h. **Payment**. Within sixty (60) days of the date of this letter agreement, Owner shall pay to County the amount of \$20,000.00, for County to perform maintenance on the sections of County Roads and/or to purchase road materials used by Owner, which amount covers the first year of maintenance post-construction.
- i. **Dust Control**: <u>La Casa will perform and e</u>Ensure dust control measures throughout the construction project on County Roads 131, 132, and 128, <u>and specifically, but without limitation, La Casa shall treat such County Roads with a dust preventative at least 300 feet in either direction of on or near the following properties:</u>

Betty Stanford 13829 CR 131 Ranger, TX 76470 Beverley Eddleman 6044 CR 132 Ranger, TX 76470

New Hope Church 7528 FM 717 South Ranger, TX 76470

- (v) Plans and timing for completing the Road Upgrade are as follows:
  - a. Current construction plan and timing would allow for the post construction assessment and Road Upgrade to occur within six months of the Commercial Operation Date (currently planned for June 30, 2025).

Terms not defined herein shall be used as defined in the Tax Abatement Agreement. Please evidence your agreement with the above terms by signing in the space provided below.

Sincerely,

La Casa Wind, LLC By: Anthony Pedroni, Vice President

Enclosure: Site Plan

CC: Wetsel<del>, Allen,</del> & Lederle, L.L.P. Attn: Jake Lederle 207 Oak St. Sweetwater, Texas 79556

## County:

Stephens County, Texas

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County Clerk

Approved as to Form: