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#### 1 Introduction

- 1. NaturEner Wild Rose 2 Energy Inc. (NaturEner), pursuant to Approval No. U2011-251,¹ has approval to construct and operate a power plant designated as the Wild Rose 2 wind power plant, located approximately 30 kilometres southeast of the city of Medicine Hat, Alberta. NaturEner, pursuant to Permit and Licence No. U2011-252,² also has approval to construct and operate the Eagle Butte substation.
- 2. NaturEner filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) seeking approval to extend the completion date of the power plant and the substation. The application was registered on August 23, 2013, as Application No. 1609867 (the application) and was assigned Proceeding ID No. 2801.
- 3. NaturEner stated that construction of the power plant has been delayed due to the timing of the approvals received for the interconnection of the Wild Rose 2 wind power project and the additional study and design work undertaken for a proposed change in layout due to a proposed change of wind-powered turbines. NaturEner stated that an amendment application will be made to the Commission shortly.
- 4. The previous approval and permit and licence stipulated a completion date of October 31, 2013. NaturEner requested that the completion date be extended to December 31, 2015.

# 2 Findings

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5. The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that NaturEner has provided information respecting the need, nature and the duration of the requested time extension. Based upon the information provided, NaturEner has demonstrated that the requested time extension is of a minor nature. The Commission considered that due to the minor nature of the application a notice of application was not required.

6. The Commission therefore approves the requested time extension until December 31, 2015.

Power Plant Approval No. U2011-251, Application No. 1606143, Proceeding ID No. 625, August 2, 2011.

Substation Permit and Licence No. U2011-252, Application No. 1606143, Proceeding ID No. 625, August 2, 2011.

### 3 Decision

- 7. Pursuant to Section 11 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, the Commission approves the application and grants NaturEner the approval set out in Appendix 1 Power Plant Approval No. U2013-383 August 29, 2013, to extend the completion date of the power plant (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).
- 8. Pursuant to sections 14, 15 and 19 of the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*, the Commission approves the application and grants NaturEner the permit and licence set out in Appendix 2 Substation Permit and Licence No. U2013-384 August 29, 2013, to extend the completion date of the substation (Appendix 2 will be distributed separately).

Dated on August 29, 2013.

**The Alberta Utilities Commission** 

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