



MINUTES

Subject: Golden South Wind (GSW) Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting #3
Date and Time: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at 6:30pm
Location: Zoom Webinar (Virtual Meeting)
Facilitator: Kathryn Palmer, Dillon Consulting
Attendees: Kathryn Palmer (Dillon Consulting) – CLC Facilitator
 Chris Downie (Dillon Consulting) – Future CLC Facilitator
 Cathy Zhao (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – CLC Coordinator
 Andrea Garcia (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Project Director
 James Marzotto (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Project Manager
 Juergen Kraus (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Wind Construction Coordinator
 Jonathan Berger (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Construction Coordinator
 Alex Lawson (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Construction Site Coordinator
 Mahsa Hajjalirezai (GSW/Potentia Renewables Inc.) – Construction Project Manager
 Maxime Cantin (Borea Construction) – GSW Construction Contractor
 Larry Foster – CLC Community Member
 Trevor Karst – CLC Community Member
 Ken Bahuaud – CLC Community Member
Regrets: None

Meeting Minutes

0. Greetings and Instructions for the Public
1. Introductions
2. Refresher of Role of the CLC
3. COVID-19 Protocols and Updates
 - In April 2020, PRI worked with Borea to implement site-specific safety measures above and beyond what was required by provincial and federal mandates. These measures included having a full-time medic on site, verifying the body temperature of every worker, visitor and delivery driver before accessing the site, making quarantine rooms available if isolation was required, and providing curbside pick-up, on site gas and diesel and laundry services to employees and subcontractors. Additionally, all employees and workers were prohibited from entering the Town of Assiniboia.
 - In June, as Saskatchewan entered Phase 3 of its reopening plan and as the status of the pandemic in Canada evolved, Potentia made the decision to moderate appropriately some of the site-specific restrictions.
 - The most significant change to the on-site COVID-19 protocol is lifting the restriction which prohibited employees and workers from entering the Town of Assiniboia.
 - Many of the existing measures have remained in place, such as:
 - All workers will continue to have their temperatures checked prior to entering the construction site.

- A full-time medic will remain on site.
- Mandatory face masks and social distancing when appropriate.
- Completion of the Preventative Measures Questionnaire at the end of each shift.
- Completion of the COVID-19 Orientation Questionnaire by all workers and delivery drivers upon arrival to site.
- Potentia will continue to monitor the evolution of COVID-19 in Canada, and work with Borea and the local community to implement changes as the need arises.

4. Project Background and Construction Update

- Roads, foundations and directional boring of collector lines are 100% complete
- Began construction of the substation in April 2020, currently around 25% complete
- Started to receive deliveries of turbine parts, installation of the wind turbines anticipated to start in mid-July
- Upcoming construction activities:
 - Weed spraying at turbine locations and entrances by a local third-party contractor is expected to start this week
 - Installation of spur line by SaskPower is expected to start this summer
 - Installation of collector lines is expected to be completed by the end of summer
 - Substation is expected to be completed in September
 - The Operations and Maintenance (O&M) building is expected to be completed in late fall
 - A new MET tower near Hwy #2 is expected to be installed in the upcoming months
 - More deliveries of turbine parts are expected in the next 6 months, which will cause some minor delays in traffic
 - 80% of the turbines are expected to be installed by the end of 2020

5. Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting

- The Assiniboia Civic Improvement Association (ACIA) is encouraged to contact Potentia to initiate conversations about the potential for a rooftop solar system on the proposed new Assiniboia multi-use building and rink.
 - CLOSED/ COMPLETE – Potentia’s Project Manager, James Marzotto, got in contact with the ACIA and provided support.
- Potentia will advertise the job fair and/or job postings for the current construction season in a method similar to the way that CLC meetings are advertised.
 - CLOSED/ INCOMPLETE – A job fair was planned for March/April of 2020 but due to COVID-19, this was cancelled. Because of COVID-19 and associated delays of turbine parts, the activities during peak construction became more spread out so there was no longer the need to increase hiring of individuals. Instead, Borea hired more local sub-contractors for jobs (i.e. weed spraying at turbine locations).

6. Review of Submitted Questions
 - Will Potentia/ Borea allow employees and contractors to frequent local businesses now that COVID-19 restrictions are easing?
 - Answer: In June, as Saskatchewan entered into Phase 3 of reopening, Borea Construction and Potentia Renewables Inc. (INC) employees are returning back into the Town of Assiniboia. Borea Construction and PRI are observing Saskatchewan's requirements that mandate travelers from out of the province self-monitor for 14 days and self-isolate at the first sign of even mild symptoms.

7. CLC Members Open Discussion and New Questions
 - There is a rumour in the community that 49 turbines are now to be installed instead of 50. Is this true?
 - Potentia staff clarified that the rumour is false. There will be 50 turbines installed, as originally planned. In fact, all 50 turbine foundations are already constructed and in the ground.
 - Large transformers were recently noticed being unloaded, are these for the substation?
 - Potentia staff confirmed that the two main power transformers have indeed arrived by rail, and are key components of the substation.
 - Initially the project completion date was set for December 2020, and now it seems to be later. Why has there been a delay and when is the new target completion date?
 - Potentia confirmed that there has been delays as COVID-19 has impacted the supply chain, particularly related to turbine parts. The project is now targeting to declare commercial operation of all 50 turbines around March 2021, which is still ahead of the contractual obligations with SaskPower. However, some individual turbines may begin producing power as early as November 2020.

8. Opportunities for the Public to Speak

No members of the public was present.

9. Timing of Next CLC Meeting
 - CLC Meeting #4 - Projected for early late fall/ early winter of 2020
 - It is anticipated that this meeting will be held online as well, given restrictions on public gatherings, however that will be confirmed at a later date.
 - Once the exact date has been determined, it will be advertised in local media and communicated with CLC members directly.
 - The CLC Facilitator (Kathryn Palmer) will be going on maternity leave beginning September 2020. Chris Downie of Dillon Consulting in Saskatoon will take over the role within the next month.

10. Review of Action Items

None.

11. Adjournment

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