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## PSC Issues Final Environmental Impact Statement for Glacier Hills Wind Park

*Public hearings to be held November 4 in Friesland*

MADISON – The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have issued a final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed wind electric generating facility, Glacier Hills Wind Park, in northeast Columbia County.

The proposed wind park project would consist of a 90-turbine wind facility with a capacity of up to 207 MW within 17,350 acres of predominately agricultural land in the townships of Randolph and Scott. The final EIS is a thorough review and analysis of the proposed project, including the need for the project, the alternatives considered, its cost and short- and long-term potential impacts of building the facility.

In October 2008, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO) filed an application with the PSC for permission to build the facility. The facility would consist of the turbines, access roads to the turbines, an underground 34.5 kilovolt system to collect the power produced at each turbine, a new substation to connect to the existing electric transmission system and an operations and maintenance building that would house a supervisory control and data acquisition system to monitor turbine operation.

A hearing to take testimony from the public on the proposed project is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2009 beginning at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Randolph Town Hall, located at 109 South Madison Street in Friesland, Wisconsin. The hearing to take testimony from technical witnesses is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on Monday, November 2, 2009 at the PSC, located at 610 North Whitney Way in Madison.

The PSC has the authority to approve, deny or modify any proposed electric construction project. To ensure a full and complete record, the PSC follows a process outlined by state law for every case. Part of this process is to perform a thorough environmental review and to gather input from the public.

To review the final report, visit the PSC's website at <http://psc.wi.gov> and click on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System (ERF) button and enter docket number 6630-CE-302.

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