February 24, 2020

Mr. John W. Hollman
Clerk of the House
Illinois House of Representatives
420 Capitol Building
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: High Impact Business Designation of Minonk Stewardship Wind, LLC (a subsidiary of Akuo Energy USA and Stewardship Energy, LLC)

Dear Mr. Hollman:

This letter serves to inform you that the Department has designated Minonk Stewardship Wind, LLC as an Illinois High Impact Business/Wind Energy Business for its wind energy facility (Bennington Wind) located in Marshall County, Illinois. The designation shall be effective upon the date of certification for a period not to exceed 20 years.

I have enclosed a copy of the Certification for Designation. This designation entitles Minonk Stewardship Wind, LLC to the exemptions described in Section 51 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Ben Denney of my staff at 217.785.6169.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Erin B. Guthrie
Director

Enclosures
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CERTIFICATION FOR DESIGNATION

Pursuant to Section 5.5 of the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, 20 ILCS 655/ et seq., as amended, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity hereby designates the following company as a High Impact Business and is therefore eligible for the exemptions described in Section 51 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act.

**BUSINESS NAME**
Minonk Stewardship Wind, LLC
(subsidiary of Aeolus Energy USA and Stewardship Energy)

**FEIN#**
27-0981914

**PROJECT NAME**
Bennington Wind

**BUSINESS ADDRESS**
645 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 980
Chicago, Illinois 60611

**PROJECT LOCATION**
Marshall County
(see attached map)

Note:
This certification is effective upon execution by the Director of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a period not to exceed 20 years. This business is not designated as being located within a Foreign Trade Zone or Sub-Zone.

Erin B. Guthrie
Director
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Date
2/25/2020

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