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July 1, 2021

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street NE, Room 1A  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: OEP/DG2E  
WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.  
North Bakken Expansion Project  
Docket Nos. CP20-52-000 and CP20-52-001

Dear Ms. Bose:

WBI Energy Transmission, Inc. (WBI Energy), herewith files its response to an environmental information request of the Office of Energy Projects of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) received on June 29, 2021, in the above referenced dockets.

Pursuant to 18 CFR § 385.2010 of the Commission's regulations, copies of this response are being served to each person whose name appears on the official service list for this proceeding.

Any questions regarding this filing should be addressed to the undersigned at (701) 530-1563.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lori Myerchin

Lori Myerchin  
Director, Regulatory Affairs and  
Transportation Services

Enclosure

cc: via email  
Dawn Ramsey, FERC Environmental Project Manager  
Shannon Crosley, FERC Environmental Deputy Project Manager  
Official Service List

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2021.

By /s/ Lori Myerchin\_\_\_\_\_

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA     )  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH     )

I, Lori Myerchin, being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and say that I am the Director, Regulatory Affairs and Transportation Services for WBI Energy Transmission, Inc.; that I have read the foregoing document; that I know the contents thereof; that I am authorized to execute such document; and that all such statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2021.

By Lori Myerchin  
Lori Myerchin  
Director, Regulatory Affairs and  
Transportation Services

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2021.

Carmen Fish  
Carmen Fish, Notary Public  
Burleigh County, North Dakota  
My Commission Expires: 01/03/2024

CARMEN FISH  
Notary Public  
State of North Dakota  
My Commission Expires January 3, 2024

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**Request No. 1**

The safety data sheet for proposed drilling fluid additive Macro-Fill does not provide clear information on product composition, biodegradability, or ecotoxicity. This product also contains small quantities acrylamide, a hazardous chemical under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act. Therefore, provide additional information on product composition, biodegradability, and ecotoxicity; remove the product from the intended list of drilling fluid additives; or clarify in detail why the use of the product is necessary and could not be substituted for a different product.

**Response:**

WBI Energy has removed the product from the intended list of drilling fluid additives. Please see the revised additive list in Attachment A.

# Attachment A

# MICHELS®

Product Name	Manufacturer	Generic Name	Intended Use	NSF 60 APPROVED?
Platinum PAC	M I Swaco	PAC	Fluid Loss Inhibitor	YES
Platinum PAC UL	M I Swaco	PAC	Fluid Loss Inhibitor	YES
Ringfree	M I Swaco	Thinner	Drill Mud Thinner	YES
Plugz It	WyoBen, Inc.	Proprietary bentonite blend	Lost Circulation Material	YES
Clay Cutter	Cetco	Clay Inhibitor	Inhibit swelling of clay formations	NO
Clay Breaker	DCS Fluids	Clay Inhibitor	Inhibit swelling of clay formations	NO
Ball Buster	DCS Fluids	SAPP	Reduce bit / reamer balling	YES
Soda Ash	Various	pH Enhancement	Increase pH and reduce hardness of make up water	YES
Sodium Bicarbonate	Various	Calcium Control	Reduce calcium contamination of mud from drilling grout	YES
Citric Acid	Various	pH Reducer	Reduce pH when drilling grout	YES
Magma-Fiber-Fine	Cetco	Extrusion Spun Mineral Fiber	Lost Circulation Material	YES
Multi-Seal	Cetco	Blended LCM	Lost Circulation Material	NO

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**Request No. 2**

State if WBI would provide equal or better protection for resources affected from the requested variances in attachment 5-1. The protection measures should be equal or better than what WBI has previously committed to in the EA.

**Response:**

WBI Energy will provide equal or better protection for resources affected from the requested variances in attachment 5-1. The protection measures will equal to or better than what WBI Energy has previously committed to in the EA.

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**Request No. 3**

Clarify if all section 106 consultations for the project is complete.

**Response:**

WBI Energy confirms that all Section 106 consultation for the project is complete.