



August 29, 2023

Ms. Julie Murphy, Director
Energy & Carbon Management Commission
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 80203

RE: ECMC Rule 304.d.(2) Lesser Impact Area Exemption
Great Plains Energy Operating, LLC, Marquis #1
SWNW Section 23, Township 7 South, Range 52 West,
OGDP Docket # 230600217, Form 2A Doc #403196730
Lincoln County, Colorado

Dear Director Murphy,

Great Plains Energy Operating, LLC (Great Plains), has filed a Form 2A with the Energy & Carbon Management Commission (ECMC) for the above referenced location. ECMC Rule 304.d. stipulates that the Director may exempt an Operator from submitting any of the information required by Rule 304.b. or any plan required by Rule 304.c. Great Plains requests an exemption from the Director for the Noise Mitigation Plan, Rule 304.c.(2), and the Light Mitigation Plan, 304.c.(3), based on evidence showing the information or plan is unnecessary because the impacted resource or resource concern is not present in the area or impacts to the resource will be so minimal as to pose no concern. Please see the attached table for details.

Pursuant to ECMC Rule 304.d.(2), Operators may request an exemption from the Director in writing, without proceeding through the ordinary Rule 502 variance process. A request for an exemption will be provided with the Form 2A at the time the Form is submitted. This letter serves as the required exemption request.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (303) 888-4862 or via email at jdonahue@ardorenvironmental.com. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Donahue".

Jessica Donahue

Great Plains Energy Operating, LLC
Marquis #1
SWNW Section 23, T7S R52W
Lincoln County, Colorado

LESSER IMPACT EXEMPTION – RULE 304.C.(2) and 304.c.(3)

Great Plains Energy Operating, LLC (Great Plains), is requesting a Lesser Impact Exemption from Rule 304.c.(2) – Noise Mitigation Plan and 304.c.(3) – Light Mitigation Plan.

This proposed location is over 2000' from any Buildings, Residential Building Units, or High Occupancy Building Units.

This location is not located within any High Priority Habitats as defined by ECMC Rule 1202.d.

Rule 304.c.(2) – the Noise Mitigation plan is being requested for a Lesser Impact Exemption because noise will not be an issue since there are no buildings or Designated Activity Areas identified less than 2,000 feet of the location. Additionally, the very short duration of both the construction and drilling phases, being one week and one and a half weeks respectively, do not lend itself to having an impact to the surrounding area.

Rule 304.c.(3) – the Light Mitigation plan is being requested for a Lesser Impact Exemption because noise will not be an issue since there are no buildings or Designated Activity Areas identified less than 2,000 feet of the location. Additionally, the very short duration of both the construction and drilling phases, being one week and one and a half weeks respectively, do not lend itself to having an impact to the surrounding area.