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Submitted via email: amber_andress@fws.gov

**RE: Cardinal Point Wind Project Incidental Take Permit (ITP) ESPER3926307-1
2024 Post-Construction Monitoring Study
Year 2 ITP Report**

Dear Ms. Andress,

Capital Power is pleased to provide the attached report summarizing the results of the 2024 Post-Construction Monitoring Study at the Cardinal Point Wind Project. Pursuant to commitments in the Habitat Conservation Plan and section P of Permit Number ESPER3926307-1, this report details the post-construction monitoring study conducted by Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc. (WEST) in 2024. We will forward via email a separate document with the confidential USFWS R3 spreadsheet.

The purpose of monitoring the Project in 2024 was to estimate Covered Species take, test adaptive management triggers, and evaluate the efficacy of the Optimized Smart Curtailment (OSC). Acoustic monitoring was also completed to inform any necessary revisions to the Optimized Smart Curtailment approach. Monitoring was completed in accordance with the study plan, from April 1 through October 15, 2023. The cumulative take estimates for the ITP to date are 48 Indiana bats, 26 tricolored bats, and zero little brown bats. No northern long-eared bats have been found to date. Further details are in the attached report.

Capital Power is committed to continue working with USFWS and IDNR on this project. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either me at jbschroeder@capitalpower.com or (403) 462-4499.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JBSchroeder", written over a large, faint, stylized "C" background graphic.

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Cc: Kent Brandt, CPC
Heather Osborn, IDNR

Attachment: 2024 Post-Construction Monitoring Study Cardinal Point Wind Project Year 2 ITP Report