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Executive Summary

Aercoustics Engineering Limited ("Aercoustics") has been retained by Nodin Kitagan L.P. c/o BluEarth Renewables Inc. to complete the acoustic immission audit outlined in the Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") for the Bow Lake Wind Project ("BLWP") and updated audit requirements provided by the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks "MECP" in a letter dated March 19, 2018. BLWP operates under REA #8443-9BMG23, issued on December 16, 2013 [1].

This report details the 2nd measurement campaign of the BLWP immission audit. Monitoring near receptors R31 and R34 spanned the following dates:

Location	Monitoring Start Date	Monitoring End Date	Monitoring Duration (weeks)
R31	May 30, 2018	September 20, 2018	16
R34	May 30, 2018	July 22, 2018	8

The audit has been completed as per the methodology outlined in Parts D and E5.5 RAM-I (Revised Assessment Methodology) of the "*MECP Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise*" (Updated: April 21, 2017).

The site topography and surrounding dense forest limited the data points collected to wind speeds from 0-1 m/s for R31 and 0-4 m/s for R34. Due to the inherent challenges of acquiring data at this site only two (2) wind bins between 0 m/s and 7 m/s inclusive are required as a minimum reporting requirement as per correspondence with the MECP approvals branch.

The RAM-I sample size requirement was satisfied for receptor R31 and R34, the two wind bins to satisfy the data count requirements were 0 and 1 m/s and 1 and 2m/s respectively.

The filtered RAM-I audit data at 0-2 m/s at both receptor R31 and R34 represent the worstcase scenario i.e. Maximum noise output and downwind conditions, with maximum wind shear conditions (high winds at hub height and low winds at receptor location).

The measured turbine-only noise impact at the audit locations was compared to the MECP sound level limits. The measured turbine-only levels were found to be in compliance with the applicable sound level limits at receptors R31 and R34 during the audit.

1 Introduction

Aercoustics Engineering Limited ("Aercoustics") has been retained by Nodin Kitagan L.P. c/o BluEarth Renewables Inc. to complete the acoustic immission audit outlined in the Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") for the Bow Lake Wind Project ("BLWP") and updated audit requirements provided by MECP in a letter dated March 19, 2018 (MECP letter provided in Appendix G). BLWP operates under REA #8443-9BMG23, issued on December 16, 2013 [1].

The report has been prepared to facilitate submission to the MECP, in compliance with acoustic audit conditions outlined in the facility's REA (#8443-9BMG23) section D (Wind Turbine Acoustic Audit – Immission). The audit has been completed as per the methodology outlined in Parts D and E5.5 RAM-I (Revised Assessment Methodology) of the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks "*MECP Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise*" (Updated: April 21, 2017) [2]. This report outlines the measurement methodology, results, and a comparison of the turbine-only sound contribution to the MECP sound level limits.

2 Facility Description

The Bow Lake Wind Project utilizes 36 General Electric GE 1.6 -100 wind turbines for power generation, each having a nameplate capacity of 1.62 MW respectively. Each turbine has a hub height of 96 meters and a rotor diameter of 100 meters. The facility operates 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

An overall site plan is provided in Figure A.01.

3 Audit Details

The acoustic audit was conducted at receptors R31 and R34¹. Monitoring at R31 and R34 spanned the following dates, summarized in Table 1.

Table 1: Monitoring Period for Each Receptor

Location	Monitoring Start Date	Monitoring End Date	Monitoring Duration (weeks)
R31	May 30, 2018	September 20, 2018	16
R34	May 30, 2018	July 22, 2018	8



¹ Receptor IDs taken from the Noise Assessment Report by I. Bonsma, P.Eng and B. Howe, P.Eng dated October 4, 2013 [3]

3.1 Test Equipment

The measurement equipment used for the I-audit campaign, both acoustic and environmental, is detailed below. Equipment specifications and measurement positions comply with MOECC Compliance Protocol sections D2 - Instrumentation and D3 - Measurement Procedure, respectively. Each remote monitoring unit is comprised of the following:

- One (1) Type 1 sound level meter, with microphone and pre-amplifier mounted at a height of 4.5 meters, at least 5 meters from any large reflecting surfaces.
- One (1) primary and one (1) secondary windscreen for the microphone. The 1/3 octave band insertion loss of the secondary windscreen has been tested and was accounted for in the data analysis.
- One (1) anemometer, mounted at a height of 10 metres above ground level ("10-m AGL").

Table 2 provides the specific model and serial numbers for the measurement equipment used during the measurement campaign.

Location	Equipment	Make/Model	Serial Number
	Data Acquisition Card	NI 9234	1C009CD
	Signal Conditioner	PCB 480E09	33659
R31	Microphone	PCB 377B02	164139 (125633)
	Pre-Amplifier	PCB 426E01	043997
	Weather Anemometer	Vaisala WXT 520	M0410642
	Data Acquisition Card	NI 9234	1A5E7FC
	Signal Conditioner	PCB 480E09	33657
R34	Microphone	PCB 377B02	167926 (125630)
	Pre-Amplifier	PCB 426E01	044003
	Weather Anemometer	Vaisala WXT 520	M4910193

Table 2: Equipment Details

The measurement chain was calibrated before and after the measurement campaign using a type 4231 Brüel & Kjær acoustic calibrator.

3.2 Measurement Methodology

For the duration of the measurement campaign, acoustic and anemometer data was logged simultaneously in one-minute intervals. The acoustic data included A-weighted overall equivalent sound levels (LA_{eq}), percentile statistical levels (L90), and 1/3 octave band levels between 20 Hz and 20,000 Hz. The recorded weather data included average

wind direction, wind speed, temperature, relative humidity, and atmospheric pressure. The maximum wind speed for each one-minute interval was also stored.

To account for the effect of wind speed on the measured sound level, measurement intervals are sorted into integer wind bins based on the measured 10 m wind speeds. Each bin ranges from 0.5 m/s below to 0.5 m/s above each respective wind bin (i.e. 5 m/s wind bin represents all intervals with average wind speeds between 4.5 m/s and 5.5 m/s).

3.3 Data Reduction and Filtering

The data reduction procedures used on the measurement data to remove invalid data points from the assessment are detailed below. These procedures are in accordance with Section D5.2 of the Protocol and in accordance with the measurement equipment specifications. An additional filter, based on the difference between LAeq and L90 level is included to automatically exclude transient noise contamination.

A measurement interval is excluded if any one of the following criteria are <u>not</u> satisfied:

- The interval occurred between 10pm 5am
- No precipitation was detected 60 minutes before and 60 minutes after the interval
- The ambient temperature was above -10°C
- The measured LA_{eq} was no more than 10 dB greater than the L90 value

The purpose of the filters listed above is to exclude intervals where the data quality is reduced due to extraneous events (such as vehicle pass-bys), unusable environmental conditions (such as rain), or equipment operating outside of its specifications. Intervals that pass the filtering criteria listed above are sorted into Turbine ON or Background periods based according to the conditions listed below. If neither Turbine ON or Background conditions are met, the data point is excluded.

- Turbine ON: Bow Lake turbines must be rotating and generating power
- Background: Bow Lake turbines must be parked and not generating power

The Protocol also requires additional criteria be met by each Turbine ON data point based on the conditions of the nearest turbine to each receptor. Specifically,

"Only downwind data will be considered in the analysis. With reference to the Turbine location, downwind directions are ± 45 degrees from the line of sight between the Turbine and receptor/measurement location." {Section D5.2 (4)}

And

"Only data when the turbine's electrical output sound power level is approximately equal to or greater than 85% of its rated electrical power output should be included in the analysis. In addition, the turbine should also be operating at approximately 90% or more of its maximum sound power level; (percentage based on energy / logarithmic calculation). {Section D5.2 (5)}

As such data for Receptor R34 was filtered for times when WTG-36 electrical output is equal to or greater than 85% of the turbine's rated electrical power output and downwind of WTG-36.

The closest turbines to Receptor R31 are WTG-30 and WTG35. WTG-30 and WTG-35 is located approximately 1009m and 1057m from R31 respectively. WTG-30 and WTG-35 are located on opposite sides of R31. As the distance between the closest turbines (WTG-30 and WTG-35) and R31 is comparable, data has been filtered for downwind direction and 85% electrical power for each turbine and presented separately.

3.4 Influence of Flora and Fauna

Contamination of the acoustic data due to the presence of animal calls was noted in the data collected at both monitoring locations. The contaminated acoustic data from animal calls have been verified by listening tests and removed from the analysis.

Contamination of the data due to the presence of insects was noted in data collected. The acoustic energy from insects were present from above 2000Hz and dominated the overall level for both Turbine ON and ambient measurements. The frequency ranges used for this filter was determined based on site-specific conditions to discount the effect of the contaminated insect noise.

3.5 Measurement Location

Monitoring was conducted at Receptors R31 and R34. These locations were chosen based on updated audit requirements provided by the MECP in a letter dated March 19, 2018. R31 and R34 have a predicted impact of 39.9 dBA and 38.4 dBA respectively, as per level predicted from an "As Built" noise model based on the original CadnaA noise prediction model. The following describes the measurement locations in relation to the above listed receptors:

- M31: Measurement equipment was placed approximately 15m west of R31, 1022 m to turbine WTG-30 and 1057m to WTG-35. The predicted level based on the acoustic model at R31 is 39.6 dBA.
- M34: Measurement equipment was placed approximately 35m south-west of R34, 894 m to the nearest turbine WTG-36. The predicted level based on the acoustic model at M34 is 38.2 dBA.

The following table provides a summary of the receptor locations. Detailed site plans showing the receptor and audit locations are attached in Appendix A.

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Table 3: Receptor Measurement Locations

	Audit Receptor ID	R31	R34
	Nearest Turbine ID	WTG-30/WTG-35	WTG-36
	UTM Coordinates (X,Y)	17T 690036mE 5230677mN	17T 688657mE 5227556mN
Receptor	Distance to Nearest Turbine	1009m/1077m	878m
	Predicted Level dBA*	39.9	38.3
Monitor	UTM Coordinates (X,Y)	17T 690011mE 5230686mN	17T 688603mE 5227548mN
WORITO	Distance to Nearest Turbine	1022m/1057m	894m
	Predicted Level dBA**	39.9	38.2

* Predicted level from Noise Assessment Report, HGC Engineering, October 4, 2013

** Predicted level from Aercoustics' acoustic model

3.6 Sample size Reporting Requirements

As per Section D3.8 of the MECP protocol, at least 120 data points in each wind bin are required for Turbine ON measurements, and 60 data points for the ambient measurements between 4-7 m/s integer wind speeds inclusively (10m height).

The Revised Assessment Methodology for I-Audits (RAM-I) may allow for a lower amount of data points to be used in the analysis, provided that the quality of data remains high. RAM-I analysis was conducted as per Section 5.5 of the Protocol. This methodology is employed in cases where insufficient data is collected despite sound monitoring lasting longer than 6 weeks.

The RAM-I assessment methodology reduces the sample size requirements, the Protocol states:

"The Ministry may accept a reduced number of data points for each wind speed bin with appropriate justification. [...] The acceptable number of data points will be influenced by the quality of the data (standard deviation)" {Section E 5.5 (5)}

The threshold of 60 data points for Turbine ON measurements and 30 data points for Turbine OFF measurements is used in this assessment.

The range of wind bins which may be used to assess compliance is expanded to include a minimum of one of the following conditions as outlined in Section E 5.5(1):

- a. "Three (3) of the wind speed bins between 1 and 7 m/s (inclusive), or
- b. Two (2) of the wind speed bins between 1 and 4 m/s (inclusive)"

The RAM-I sample size requirement of 60 data points for Turbine ON for 2 wind speed bins has been satisfied for receptors R31 and R34 in wind speed bins between 1 and 4 m/s (inclusive).

3.7 **Operational Conditions**

Turbine operational data for the duration of the measurement campaign was supplied by BLWP. Measurement data at each receptor was filtered to include only intervals when all turbines in the immediate vicinity were operational, or, in the case of the ambient noise measurements, were not operational. The turbines included in this study were chosen such that when they are turned off, the partial impact of the remaining turbines was less than 30dBA; 10dB below the sound level limit. The specific turbines parked for ambient measurements were WTG26, WTG27, WTG28, WTG29, WTG30, WTG32, WTG33, WTG34, WTG35, WTG36, WTG37, WTG38, and WTG39.

4 Sound Level Limits

The purpose of the sound measurements was to confirm whether the sound emitted by the wind facility is in compliance with the MECP allowable sound level limits. The MECP sound level limits for wind turbines vary with wind speed defined at a 10 m height. The details of the sound level limits are presented in Table 4 below.

Table 4: MECP Sound Level Limits for Wind Turbines

Wind speed at	MECP Sound
10m height [m/s]	level limit [dBA]
0	40
1	40
2	40
3	40
4	40

5 Audit Results

Acoustic and weather data measured during the I-audit campaign are summarized in the following section.

5.1 Weather Conditions

General weather conditions measured over the course of the Phase 1 I-audit are summarized in Table 5.

Table 5: General Weather Conditions – Range of Measured Values

	10-m AGL Hub t				Hub height
	Atmospheric Pressure [hPa]	Wind Speed [m/s]	Relative Humidity [%]	Temperature [°C]	Wind speed [m/s]
Minimum	956	0.0	36	3	0.3
Maximum	985	5.8	96	25	16.4

5.2 Wind Direction

Wind roses representing the recorded wind directions during the audit are reported in Appendix B. Wind direction recorded from the turbine yaw angle, and wind speeds measured from 10-m AGL anemometer, were combined to prepare the wind roses. The wind speeds from 0-4 m/s at 10-m AGL represent the I-audit wind bins as per Section E5.5 of the Protocol.

5.3 Measured Sound Levels

Tables 5-7 detail the sound levels measured at the receptors when all the nearby turbines were on (Turbine ON) and when all the nearby turbines were off (Turbine OFF).

Wind bins which satisfy the RAM-I sample size requirements are highlighted in grey. The Turbine ON sound level presented was filtered such that only data when the closest turbine was generating 85% power or greater and the receptor was in a downwind condition from the closest turbine was included.

L Audit Wind Dine	Tur	bine ON		Turbine OFF		
	Number of	LAeq	Std Dev	Number of	LAeq	Std Dev
(11/5)	Samples	[dBA]	[dBA]	Samples	[dBA]	[dBA]
0	59	41.5	0.2	53	35.7	0.1
1	0	*	*	0	*	*
2	0	*	*	0	*	*
3	0	*	*	0	*	*
4	0	*	*	0	*	*

Table 6: R31 Sound levels measured for Turbine ON and OFF (Downwind - WTG-30)

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

L Audit Mind Ding	Turbine ON			Turbine OFF		
(m/s)	Number of Samples	LAeq [dBA]	Std Dev [dBA]	Number of Samples	LAeq [dBA]	Std Dev [dBA]
0	384	39.8	1.1	2087	30.0	3.4
1	60	40.7	1.4	0	*	*
2	0	*	*	0	*	*
3	0	*	*	0	*	*
4	0	*	*	0	*	*

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

L Audit Mind Dine	Turbine ON			Turbine OFF		
	Number of	LAeq	Std Dev	Number of	LAeq	Std Dev
(m/s)	Samples	[dBA]	[dBA]	Samples	[dBA]	[dBA]
0	118	39.4	0.9	240	19.0	2.3
	551	39.4	1.0	177	19.1	2.5
2	80	39.9	0.9	0	*	*
3	2	38.8	0.5	0	*	*
4	0	*	*	0	*	*

Table 8: R34 Sound levels measured for Turbine ON and OFF

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

The following figures present the scatter plots showing each valid 1-minute interval measured sound level at R31 and R34 when all the nearby turbines were ON (Turbine ON + Background) and when all the nearby turbines were OFF (Turbine OFF). The Turbine ON sound level presented was filtered such that only data when the closest turbine was generating 85% power or greater and the receptor was in a downwind condition from the closest turbine was included. It should be noted that the turbine ON sound level includes all sounds measured during the interval.





Figure 1: R31 - Measured Sound Levels for Turbine ON and Background vs Wind Speed (Downwind - WTG-30)

Figure 2: R31 - Measured Sound Levels for Turbine ON and Background vs Wind Speed (Downwind - WTG-35)



Sound Level vs Windspeed

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Figure 3: R34 - Measured Sound Levels for Turbine ON and Background vs Wind Speed

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6 Discussion

6.1 Effect of Filtering

The measurement data was assessed according to Part D of the Protocol with incorporation of the RAM-I data reduction methodology to produce a higher quality data set suitable for an assessment of compliance. The effect of each filter on the measurement datasets are summarized in Table 9.

Data Excluded by Filter	R34	R31 (WTG-30)	R31 (WTG-35)
Turbine Power	84%	84%	93%
Wind Direction	57%	82%	67%
Rain	6%	9%	9%
Gusting	0%	0%	0%
Low Temperature	0%	0%	0%
Transient Contamination	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%
Turbine ON	97%	99.8%	98.7%
Background	26%	98.6%	47%

 Table 9: Effect of Data Filtering on Measurement Dataset

Table 9 illustrates the difficulty in acquiring data under the Protocol; however, it is noted that the data that remains after filtering is of high quality and provides a good basis for an assessment of compliance. In the case of Bow Lake Wind Project, the assessment of compliance is conducted on the worst-case 3.5% percent of the available measurement Turbine ON data.

6.2 Receptor R31 - Ambient Noise from River

The ambient sound level at Receptor R31 was determined to be variable and dependant on the flow noise from a nearby stream. Listening tests confirm that the stream is audible at the measurement location, and the ambient sound level varied between 43 dBA when the stream was full and 23 dBA when the stream was dry. Figure 4 presents the measured sound level at receptor R31 during the Turbine OFF condition.



Figure 4: R31 - Ambient Sound Level from Stream Flow Noise

It can be seen from Figure 4 that the ambient sound level forms distinct bands at 43 dBA 38 dBA, 35dBA, 30 dBA and 23 dBA which corresponds to reducing intensity of flow noise from the nearby stream.

Ambient data collected during periods including the streams maximum flow noise at the 43 dBA and 38 dBA bands have not been included in the analysis.

The background data for the analysis at R31 has been filtered such that representative periods of background noise are applied to calculate the Turbine ONLY for the downwind condition from WTG-30 and WTG-35 i.e. periods of Background data that was collected close to the time of Turbine ON data were grouped together. This is considered a reasonable assessment approach given the variability and unpredictability of the collected ambient data.

For example data filtered for Turbine ON and the downwind condition from WTG-30 occurred during the period of June 18th/19th and the representative Turbine OFF data occurred during the period of June 22nd/23rd.

7 Assessment of Compliance

7.1 Assessment table

The turbine-only component of the sound level was derived from a logarithmic subtraction of the ambient noise from that of the sound level measured with the turbines operating. The resulting sound level can be attributed to the turbines. Calculated Turbine ONLY levels listed were calculated based on unrounded Turbine ON and Turbine OFF values.

The audit at R31 and R34 are considered representative of the sound levels at the properties of receptor R31 and R34 respectively, given the placement of the acoustic monitoring stations.

Table 8 presents the Turbine ON, Turbine OFF and calculated Turbine ONLY sound pressure levels between 0-4 m/s. Wind bins which satisfy the RAM-I sample size requirements are highlighted in grey.

Measurement Location	Wind speed at 10m height [m/s]	0		2	3	4
D 24	Turbine ON LAeq [dBA]	41	*	*	*	*
K31 (Downwind of W/TG-30)	Turbine OFF LAeq [dBA]	36	*	*	*	*
	Turbine ONLY LAeq [dBA]	40	*	*	*	*
	MECP Limit	40	40	40	40	40
524	Turbine ON LAeq [dBA]	40	41	*	*	*
R31 (Downwind of W/TG-35)	Turbine OFF LAeq [dBA]	30	30 †	*	*	*
	Turbine ONLY LAeq [dBA]	39	40	*	*	*
	MECP Limit	40	40	40	40	40
	Turbine ON LAeq [dBA]	39	39	40	*	*
R34	Turbine OFF LAeq [dBA]	19	19	*	*	*
	Turbine ONLY LAeq [dBA]	39	40	<40**	*	*
	MECP Limit	40	40	40	40	40

Table 8: Assessment Table

 † 30 dBA Background correction applied as per Section E5.5 (6) of the Protocol

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

** No Background correction applied

The data from Table 8 is plotted in Figures 3 and 4.



Figure 5: R31 Turbine Levels (Downwind of WTG-30) compared to MECP Limits









Figure 7: R34 Turbine Levels compared to MECP Limits

7.2 Tonality

Objective and in-depth tonality analysis was also completed based on 1-minute narrow band spectra, ranging from 20 Hz to 3000 Hz. The methodology followed that of ISO/PAS 20065:2016 with modifications to adapt the method to wind turbine immission measurements. Specifically, narrowband data was acquired and calculated for each 1-minute interval used in the immission analysis and binned by wind speed. The tonal audibility in each wind bin was then evaluated to determine if a tonal adjustment would be applicable. The tonal adjustment structure was taken from ISO1996-2:2017 Annex J: Table J.1 A 135 Hz tone attributable to the BLWP was observed at receptor R31 for downwind conditions from WTG-T35 and at receptor R34. Tonal assessment summary tables are provided below.

Wind Speed (m/s)	Turbine ONLY (dBA)	Mean Audibility, ΔL (dB)	Tonal Adjustment, K⊤ (dB)	Turbine Only + K⊤ (dBA)	MECP Sound Level Limit (dB)
0	40	-10.0	0	40	40
1	*	*	*	*	40
2	*	*	*	*	40
3	*	*	*	*	40
4	*	*	*	*	40

Table 10: Tonality Summary - R31 - Downwind of WTG30 - 135Hz

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

Wind Speed	Turbine ONLY	Mean Audibility, ΔL	Tonal Adiustment, K⊤	Turbine Only + KT	MECP Sound
(m/s)	(dBA)	(dB)	(dB)	(dBA)	(dB)
0	39	-9.3	0	39	40
1	40	-6.9	0	40	40
2	*	*	*	*	40
3	*	*	*	*	40
4	*	*	*	*	40

Table 11: Tonality Summary - R31 - Downwind of WTG35 - 135Hz

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

Table 12: Tonality Summary - R34 - 135Hz

Wind Speed (m/s)	Turbine ONLY (dBA)	Mean Audibility, ΔL (dB)	Tonal Adjustment, K⊤ (dB)	Turbine Only + K⊤ (dBA)	MECP Sound Level Limit (dB)
0	39	-1.1	0	39	40
1	39	0.8	1	40	40
2	40	-0.4	0	39	40
3	*	*	*	*	40
4	*	*	*	*	40

*Insufficient amount of data points as per RAM-I protocol

No tonal adjustment was found to be applicable based on detailed tonal audibility analysis at receptor R31.

A tonal adjustment of 1 dB was found to be applicable based on detailed tonal audibility at receptor R34 at wind speed bin 1m/s. The Turbine ONLY sound level with tonal adjustment demonstrates compliance with the MECP sound level limit.

7.3 Statement of Compliance

As shown in Section 7.1 and 7.2, receptors R31 and R34 audits demonstrate compliance with the 40 dBA MECP noise level limit.

8 Conclusion

Aercoustics Engineering Limited has completed the Phase 2 acoustic immission audit outlined in the Renewable Energy Approval for the Bow Lake Wind Project. The audit was completed as per the methodology outlined in Parts D and E of the "*MECP Compliance Protocol for Wind Turbine Noise*."

The measured levels were compared to the MECP limits, and the facility was determined to be in compliance at receptors R31 and R34 during the audit.

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Appendix A Location Details



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		R31 - Monitor and Receptor Location Details	Figure A.02



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	Scale: NTS Drawn by: IM	Bow Lake Wind Farm Project - 2nd Acoustic Immission Audit	
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		R34 - Monitor and Receptor Location Details	Figure A.03





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Bow Lake Wind Farm Project - 2nd Acoustic Immission Audit

Figure Title

R34 - Site Photos

Figure A.05



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		Site Photo - M31 - Ambient River Noise Source	Figure A.06



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Appendix B Wind Roses









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Appendix C Turbine Operational Statement from Operator



400, 214 - 11 Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2R 0K1 T 403.668.1575 bluearth.ca

I confirm that the turbines associated with the Bow Lake acoustic emission audit were operating within normal design parameters during the duration of the campaign (except when parked for ambient noise measurements).

Dave Walburger | Operations Supervisor BowLake Wind Farm

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Appendix D I-Audit Checklist

Appendix F7: I-Audit checklist Wind Energy Project – Screening Document – Acoustic Audit Report – Immission Information Required in the Acoustic Audit Report – Immission

ltem	Description	Complete?	Comment
1	Did the Sound level Meter meet the Type 1 Sound level meter	~	
	requirements according to the IEC standard 61672-1 Sound level		
	Meters, Part 1: Specifications? Section D2.1.1		
2	Was the complete sound measurement system, including any	~	
	recording, data logging or computing systems calibrated immediately		
	before and after the measurement session at one or more frequencies		
	using an acoustic calibrator on the microphone (must not exceed		
	+0.5dB)? Section D2.1.3		
3	Are valid calibration certificate(s) of the noise monitoring equipment and	~	
	calibration traceable to a qualified laboratory? Is the validity duration of		
	the calibration stated for each item of equipment? Section D2.3		
4	Was the predictable worst case parameters such as high wind shear	~	
	and wind direction toward the Receptor considered? Section D3.2		
5	Is there a Wind Rose showing the wind directions at the site? Section	~	
	D7 (1e)		
6	Did the results cover a wind speed range of at least 4-7 m/s as outlined	~	
	in section D 3.8.?		
7	Was the weather report during the measurement campaign included in	~	
	the report? Section D7 (1c)		
8	Did the audit state there was compliance with the limits at each wind	~	
	speed category? Section D6		
9	Are pictures of the noise measurement setup near Point of reception	~	
	provided? Section D3.3.2 & D3.4		
10	Was there justification of the Receptor location choice(s) prior to	~	
	commencement of the I-Audit? Section D4.1		
11	Was there sufficient valid data for different wind speeds? Section D5.2 #	~	
	3		
12	Was the turbine (operational) specific information during the	~	
	measurement campaign in tabular form (i.e. wind speed at hub height,		
	anemometer wind speed at 10 m height, air temperature and pressure		
	and relative humidity) Section D3.7		
13	Were all the calculated standard deviations at all relevant integer wind	·	
	speeds provided? Section D7 (2d)		
14	Compliance statement	~	
15	All data included in an Excel spreadsheet	~	
16	If deviations from standard; was justification of the deviations provided	0	No Deviations



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Appendix E Turbine Status during TON and TOFF

Turbine ID	Monitor Locations					
	R31	R34				
WTG01						
WTG02						
WTG03						
WTG04						
WTG05						
WTG06						
WTG07						
WTG08						
WTG09						
WTG10						
WTG11						
WTG12						
WTG13						
WTG15						
WTG17						
WTG18						
WTG19						
WTG20						
WTG21						
WTG22						
WTG23						
WTG24						
WTG25						
WTG26	1	1				
WTG27	1	1				
WTG28	1	1				
WTG29	1	1				
WTG30	1	1				
WTG32	1	1				
WTG33	1	1				
WTG34	1	1				
WTG35	1	1				
WTG36	1	1				
WTG37	1	1				
WTG38	1	1				
WTG39	1	1				

Bow Lake - Turbine Status Matrix for TON and TOFF

1 - Turbine ON/OFF

Turbines turned off such that predicted impact at monitor/receptor location is 30 dBA or less





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Appendix F Calibration Certificates

West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories Inc.

Certificate of Calibration

for

MICROPONE UNIT Manufactured by: **PCB PIEZOTRONICS** Model No: 378B02 Serial No: 125633 Calibration Recall No: 28351

Submitted By:

Customer:

Company: Address:

Aercoustics Engineering Ltd.

The subject instrument was calibrated to the indicated specification using standards traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology or to accepted values of natural physical constants. This document certifies that the instrument met the following specification upon its return to the submitter.

378B02 PCB PI West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories Procedure No.

Upon receipt for Calibration, the instrument was found to be:

Within (X)

tolerance of the indicated specification. See attached Report of Calibration. The information supplied relates to the calibrated item listed above. West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories' calibration control system meets the requirements, ISO 10012-1 MIL-STD-45662A, ANSI/NCSL Z540-1, IEC Guide 25, ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 17025.

Note: With this Certificate, Report of Calibration is included.

Approved by:

Felix Christopher (QA Mgr.)

Calibration Date: 10-Jan-18

28351 - 2 Certificate No:

QA Doc. #1051 Rev. 2.0 10/1/01

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ISO/IEC 17025:2005



uncompromised calibration Laboratories, Inc. 1575 State Route 96, Victor, NY 14564, U.S.A.

West Caldwell Calibration

Calibration Lab. Cert. # 1533.01

P378B02PCB	125633	Jan-10	-2018

West Caldwell Calibration uncompromised calibration Laboratories, Inc.

1575 State Route 96, Victor NY 14564

REPORT OF CALIBRATION

PCB Piezotronics Microphone Unit

Model No.: 378B02 Mic Model No.: 377B02 Preamp Model No.: 426E01

for

Company: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd.

Calibration results:								
Before & after data	same:	X			A	mbient Temperature:	22.3	°C
Combined Sensitivity @	250	Hz	and pressure of	100.3	kPa	Ambient Humidity:	30.9	% RH
(Sens. with mic. and preamp.)	0	Volts Polariz	ation voltage (External);			Ambient Pressure:	100.297	kPa
	-25.96	dB re.1V/	Pascal			Calibration Date:	10-Jan-2018	
	50.36	mV/Pasc	ai			Calibration Due:	10-Jan-2019	
	-0.04	Ko (- dB	re 50 mV/Pascal)			Report Number:	28351	-2
Sens	sitivity:	Pass	-			Control Number:	28351	
Freq. Res	ponse:	Pass						
All	l tests:	Pass						
The above listed instrument me	ets or ex	ceeds the	tested manufacture	r's spec	ificatio	ons.		
The IEC 651:type 1 and ANSI S	51.4 198	3 specifica	tion passed.					
This Calibration is traceable through N	IST test r	umbers:	683/284413-14					
The expanded uncertainty of calibration:	0,12 dB a	t 95% confid	ence level with a coverag	e factor o	of k=2.			

The pressure response recorded with electroacoustic method.

Frequency Response 5 Free Field 0 Random Magnitude (dB) -5 Pressure -10 -15 -20 Frequency (Hz) 100 1000 10000 10

 The above listed instrument was checked using calibration procedure documented in West Caldwell

 Calibration Laboratories Inc. procedure :
 Rev. 7.0 Jan. 24, 2014 Doc. # 1038 P378B02PCB

 Calibration was performed by West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories Inc. under Operating Procedures

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intended to implement the requirements of ISO10012-1, IEC Guide 25, ANSI/NCSL Z540-1, (MIL-STD-45662A) and ISO 9001:2008, ISO 17025

Calibrated on WCCL system type 9700

James Zhu Rev. 7.0 Jan. 24, 2014 Doc. # 1038 P378B02PCB

ACCREDITED Calibration Lab. Cert. # 1533.01

Serial No.: 125633

Serial No.: 164139

Serial No.: 043997

ID No.: XXXX

ISO/IEC 17025: 2005

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West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories Inc.

1575 State Route 96, Victor NY 14564 Tel. (585) 586-3900 FAX (585) 586-4327

Calibration Data Record

for

PCB Piezotronics Microphone Unit

Model No.: 378B02

Company: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd.

Serial No.: 125633 ID No.: XXXX

Frequency Response (Reference = 0 dB @ 250Hz)

Frequency	Pressure	Free Field	Random
[Hz]	[dB]	[dB]	[dB]
19.95	0.10	0.10	0.10
25.12	0.13	0.13	0.13
31.62	0.14	0.14	0.14
39.81	0.13	0.13	0.13
50.12	0.12	0.12	0.12
63.10	0.09	0.09	0.09
79.43	0.07	0.07	0.07
100.00	0.05	0.05	0.05
125.89	0.03	0.03	0.03
158.49	0.01	0.01	0.01
199.53	0.01	0.01	0.01
251.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
316.23	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
398.11	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
501.19	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02
630.96	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03
794.33	-0.05	-0.05	-0.05
1000.00	-0.09	0.02	-0.09
1258.93	-0.11	0.05	-0.07
1584.89	-0.19	0.04	-0.11
1995.26	-0.31	0.02	-0.11
2511.89	-0.46	0.02	-0.15
3162.28	-0.92	-0.20	-0.51
3981.07	-1.30	-0.20	-0.57
5011.87	-1.68	0.00	-0.44
6309.57	-2.61	-0.03	-0.46
7943.28	-3.83	0.17	-0.12
10000.00	-5.58	0.63	0.51
12589.25	-6.70	1.73	0.84
15848.93	-8.15	1.67	-2.27
19952.62	-10.14	0.36	-6.64

Freq. response: Expanded Uncertainty (dB) with coverage factor K = 2 20 to 63Hz 0.1dB, 63 to 12.5kHz 0.094dB, 12.5k to 16kHz 0.10dB, 16k to 20kHz 0.5dB.

Instruments used for ca	alibration		Date of Cal.	Traceability No.	Re-cal. Due Date	
Brüel & Kjær	4226	S/N 1445428	11-Aug-2017	683/284413-14	11-Aug-2018	
Brüel & Kjær	3560	S/N 2241893	11-Aug-2017	683/284413-14	11-Aug-2018	
HP	33120A	S/N 36043716	11-Aug-2017	,287708	11-Aug-2018	
HP	34401A	S/N 36064102	11-Aug-2017	,287708	11-Aug-2018	

Cal. Date: 10-Jan-2018

Tested by: James Zhu

Calibrated on WCCL system type 9700

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Certificate of Calibration

for

MICROPHONE UNIT Manufactured by: PCB PIEZOTRONICS Model No: 378B02 Serial No: 125630 Calibration Recall No: 28284

Submitted By:

Customer:

Company: Address: Aerocoustics Engineering Ltd.

The subject instrument was calibrated to the indicated specification using standards traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology or to accepted values of natural physical constants. This document certifies that the instrument met the following specification upon its return to the submitter.

West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories Procedure No. 378B02 PCB PI

Upon receipt for Calibration, the instrument was found to be:

Within (X)

tolerance of the indicated specification. See attached Report of Calibration. The information supplied relates to the calibrated item listed above. West Caldwell Calibration Laboratories' calibration control system meets the following requirements, ISO 10012-1 MIL STD 45662A, ANSI/NCSL Z540-1, IEC Guide 25, ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 17025

Note: With this Certificate, Report of Calibration Is included:

West Caldwell Calibration

Approved by:

Felix Christopher (QA Mgr.)

ISO/IEC 17025:2005

Calibration Date: 19-Jan-18

Certificate No: 28284 - 1

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Calibration Lab. Cert. # 1533.01

ISO/IEC 17025: 2005

ACCREDITED

Serial No.: 125630

Serial No.: 167926

Serial No.: 044003

ID No.: XXXX

1575 State Route 96, Victor NY 14564

REPORT OF CALIBRATION

for

PCB Piezotronics Microphone Unit

Model No.: 378B02 Mic Model No.: 377B02 Preamp Model No.: 426E01

Company: Aerocoustics Engineering Ltd.

West Caldwell Calibration

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The pressure response recorded with electroacoustic method.



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Calibrated on WCCL system type 9700

Measurements performed by:

Felix Christopher

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1575 State Route 96, Victor NY 14564 Tel. (585) 586-3900 FAX (585) 586-4327

Calibration Data Record

for

PCB Piezotronics Microphone Unit

Company: Aerocoustics Engineering Ltd.

Model No.: 378B02

Serial No.: 125630 ID No.: XXXX

Frequency Response (Reference = 0 dB @ 250Hz)

Frequency	Pressure	Free Field
[Hz]	[dB]	[dB]
19.95	0.11	0.11
25.12	0.14	0.14
31.62	0.14	0.14
39.81	0.12	0.12
50.12	0.11	0.11
63.10	0.09	0.09
79.43	0.06	0.06
100.00	0.05	0.05
125.89	0.03	0.03
158.49	0.03	0.03
199.53	0.01	0.01
251.19	0.00	0.00
316.23	0.00	0.00
398.11	-0.01	-0.01
501.19	-0.01	-0.01
630.96	-0.02	-0.02
794.33	-0.02	-0.02
1000.00	-0.04	0.07
1258.93	-0.06	0.10
1584.89	-0.08	0.15
1995.26	-0.14	0.19
2511.89	-0.21	0.27
3162.28	-0.54	0.18
3981.07	-0.74	0.36
5011.87	-0.94	0.74
6309.57	-1.72	0.86
7943.28	-3.13	0.87
10000.00	-4.62	1.59
12589.25	-8.14	0.29
15848.93	-9.27	0.55
19952.62	-11.27	-0.77

Freq. response: Expanded Uncertainty (dB) with coverage factor K = 2 20 to 63Hz 0.1dB, 63 to 12.5kHz 0.094dB, 12.5k to 16kHz 0.10dB, 16k to 20kHz 0.5dB.

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НР	34401A	S/N 36064102	11-Aug-2017	,287708	11-Aug-2018	

Cal. Date: 19-Jan-2018

Tested by: Felix Christopher

Calibrated on WCCL system type 9700

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CERTIFICATE FOR CALIBRATION OF SONIC ANEMOMETER

Certificate number: 17.US1.11150

Type: Vaisala Weather Transmitter, WXT520

Date of issue: December 18, 2017 Serial number: M0410642

Manufacturer: Vaisala, Oyj, Pl 26, FIN-00421 Helsinki, Finland

Client: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd., 1004 Middlegate RD, Suite 1100, S.Tower, Mississauga, ON L4Y 1M4, Canada

Anemometer received: December 14, 2017 Calibrated by: MEJ Certificate prepared by: EJF Anemometer calibrated: December 15, 2017 Procedure: MEASNET, IEC 61400-12-1:2017 Annex F Approved by: Calibration engineer, EJF

Calibration equation obtained: $v [m/s] = 1.00624 \cdot f [m/s] + 0.12903$

Standard uncertainty, slope: 0.00283

Covariance: -0.0000793 (m/s)2/m/s

Standard uncertainty, offset: 0.23103Coefficient of correlation: $\rho = 0.999956$

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Absolute maximum deviation: 0.079 m/s at 14.014 m/s

Barometric pressure: 1004.1 hPa Relative humidity: 10.6%

Succession	Velocity	Tempera	iture in	Wind	Anemometer	Deviation,	Uncertainty
	pressure, q.	wind tunnel	d.p. box	velocity, v.	Output, f.	ď.	u _c (k=2)
	[Pa]	[°C]	[°C]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]
2	9.40	21.7	25.1	3.983	3.8800	-0.050	0.024
4	14.80	21.7	25.1	4.998	4.8379	0.000	0.025
6	21.34	21.7	25.1	6.001	5.8167	0.019	0.027
8	28.99	21.8	25.1	6.994	6.8133	0.009	0.029
10	37.84	21.8	25.1	7.991	7.8100	0.004	0.032
12	48.28	21.8	25.2	9.027	8.8100	0.033	0.035
13-last	59.46	21.8	25.2	10.018	9.8345	-0.007	0.038
11	71.84	21.8	25.1	11.012	10.8033	0.012	0.041
9	85.15	21.7	25.1	11.988	11.7867	-0.001	0.044
7	99.86	21.7	25.1	12.983	12.8133	-0.039	0.047
5	116.34	21.7	25.1	14.014	13.7200	0.079	0.050
3	132.72	21.7	25.1	14.968	14.7433	0.004	0.053
1-first	151.15	21.6	25.1	15.972	15.8067	-0.062	0.056











EQUIPMENT USED

Serial Number	Description			
Njord1	Wind tunnel, blockage factor = 1.0035			
2254	Control cup anemometer			
2	Mounting tube, $D = 19 \text{ mm}$			
TT003	Summit Electronics, 1XPT100, 0-10V Output, wind tunnel temp.			
TP001	PR Electronics 5102, 0-10V Output, differential pressure box temp.			
DP004	Setra Model 239, 0-1inWC, differential pressure transducer			
HY002	Dwyer RHP-2D20, 0-10V Output, humidity transmitter			
BP001	Setra Model 278, barometer			
PL8	Pitot tube			
XB002	Computer Board. 16 bit A/D data acquisition board			
9PRZRW1	PC dedicated to data acquisition			

Traceable calibrations of the equipment are carried out by external accredited institutions: Atlantic Scale, Essco Calibration Labs & Furness Controls. A real-time analysis module within the data acquisition software detects pulse frequency.



Photo of the wind tunnel setup. The cross-sectional area is 2.5m x 2.5m.

UNCERTAINTIES

The documented uncertainty is the total combined uncertainty at 95% confidence level (k=2) in accordance with EA-4/02. The uncertainty at 10 m/s comply with the requirements in the IEC 61400-12-1:2005 procedure. See Document US.12.01.004 for further details.

COMMENTS

This sensor was calibrated in the 90° output postion.

Certificate number: 17.US1.11150



CERTIFICATE FOR CALIBRATION OF SONIC ANEMOMETER

 Certificate number: 17.US1.11157
 Date of issue: December 18, 2017

 Type: Vaisala Weather Transmitter, WXT520
 Serial number: M0410642

 Manufacturer: Vaisala, Oyj, Pl 26, FIN-00421 Helsinki, Finland
 Client: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd., 1004 Middlegate RD, Suite 1100, S.Tower, Mississauga, ON L4Y 1M4, Canada

Anemometer received: December 14, 2017 Calibrated by: MEJ Certificate prepared by: EJF Anemometer calibrated: December 15, 2017 Procedure: MEASNET, IEC 61400-12-1:2017 Annex F Approved by: Calibration engineer, EJF

Calibration equation obtained: $v \text{[m/s]} = 1.00125 \cdot f \text{[m/s]} + 0.05815$

Standard uncertainty, slope: 0.00187

Covariance: -0.0000350 (m/s)2/m/s

Standard uncertainty, offset: 0.34229Coefficient of correlation: $\rho = 0.999981$

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Absolute maximum deviation: 0.050 m/s at 15.968 m/s
Barometric pressure: 1004.0 hPa Relative humidity: 10.7%

Succession	Velocity	Tempera	ature in	Wind	Anemometer	Deviation,	Uncertainty
	pressure, q.	wind tunnel	d.p. box	velocity, v.	Output, f.	d.	u _c (k=2)
	[Pa]	[°C]	[°C]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]
2	9.35	21.5	25.0	3.970	3.9100	-0.003	0.024
4	14.72	21.5	25.1	4.982	4.9069	0.011	0.025
6	21.29	21.5	25.1	5.993	5.9033	0.024	0.027
8	28.95	21.5	25.1	6,988	6.9067	0.014	0.029
10	37.98	21.5	25.1	8.004	7.9333	0.002	0.032
12	48.14	21.5	25.1	9.011	8.9700	-0.029	0.035
13-last	59.47	21.5	25.1	10.016	9.9345	0.010	0.038
11	71.90	21.5	25.1	11.013	10.9667	-0.026	0.041
9	85.19	21.5	25.1	11.988	11.9467	-0.032	0.044
7	100.19	21.5	25.1	13.001	12.9567	-0.030	0.047
5	116.44	21.5	25.I	14.015	13.9433	-0.004	0.050
3	132.88	21.5	25.0	14.972	14.8833	0.012	0.053
1-first	151.18	21.4	25.0	15.968	15.8400	0.050	0.056











EQUIPMENT USED

Serial Number	Description			
Njord1	Wind tunnel, blockage factor = 1.0035			
2254	Control cup anemometer			
2	Mounting tube, $D = 19 \text{ mm}$			
TT003	Summit Electronics, 1XPT100, 0-10V Output, wind tunnel temp.			
TP001	PR Electronics 5102, 0-10V Output, differential pressure box temp.			
DP004	Setra Model 239, 0-1 in WC, differential pressure transducer			
HY002	Dwyer RHP-2D20, 0-10V Output, humidity transmitter			
BP001	Setra Model 278, barometer			
PL8	Pitot tube			
XB002	Computer Board. 16 bit A/D data acquisition board			
9PRZRW1	PC dedicated to data acquisition			

Traceable calibrations of the equipment are carried out by external accredited institutions: Atlantic Scale, Essco Calibration Labs & Furness Controls. A real-time analysis module within the data acquisition software detects pulse frequency.



Photo of the wind tunnel setup. The cross-sectional area is 2.5m x 2.5m.

UNCERTAINTIES

The documented uncertainty is the total combined uncertainty at 95% confidence level (k=2) in accordance with EA-4/02. The uncertainty at 10 m/s comply with the requirements in the IEC 61400-12-1:2005 procedure. See Document US.12.01.004 for further details.

COMMENTS

This sensor was calibrated in the 0°output postion.

Certificate number: 17.US1.11157



CERTIFICATE FOR CALIBRATION OF SONIC ANEMOMETER

Certificate number: 18.US1.05429

Type: Vaisala Weather Transmitter, WXT536

Date of issue: October 26, 2018 Serial number: M4910193

Manufacturer: Vaisala, Oyj, Pl 26, FlN-00421 Helsinki, Finland

Client: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd., 1004 Middlegate RD, Suite 1100, S.Tower, Mississauga, ON L4Y 1M4, Canada

Anemometer received: October 24, 2018 Calibrated by: MEJ Certificate prepared by: EJF

Anemometer calibrated: October 24, 2018 Procedure: MEASNET, IEC 61400-12-1:2017 Annex F Approved by: Calibration engineer, EJF

Calibration equation obtained: $v [m/s] = 0.99427 \cdot f[m/s] + -0.00309$

Standard uncertainty, slope: 0.00217

Covariance: -0.0000468 (m/s)²/m/s

Standard uncertainty, offset: -7.47829 Coefficient of correlation: ρ = 0.999974

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Absolute maximum deviation: 0.074 m/s at 13.961 m/s

Barometric pressure: 1005.3 hPa Relative humidity: 29.5%

Succession	Velocity	Temperature in		Wind	Anemometer	Deviation,	Uncertainty
	pressure, q.	wind tunnel	d.p. box	velocity, v.	Output, f.	d.	u _c (k=2)
	[Pa]	[°C]	[°C]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]
2	9.31	22.4	28.1	3.970	3.9833	0.012	0.020
4	14.59	22.4	28.1	4.969	4.9690	0.032	0.023
6	20.99	22.4	28,1	5.960	6.0167	-0.019	0.026
8	28.65	22.5	28.1	6.964	7.0167	-0.010	0.029
10	37.48	22.5	28.1	7.965	8.0017	0.012	0.033
12	47.74	22.5	28.1	8.989	9.0667	-0.022	0.037
13-last	58.81	22.5	28.1	9.978	10.0483	-0.010	0.041
11	70.85	22.5	28.1	10.952	11.0533	-0.035	0.045
9	84.43	22.5	28.1	11.956	12.0433	-0.015	0.049
7	99.24	22.4	28.1	12.963	13.0467	-0.006	0.053
5	115.11	22.4	28.I	13.961	13.9700	0.074	0.057
3	131.52	22.4	28.1	14.923	15.0200	-0.008	0.061
1-first	149.84	22.3	28.1	15.927	16.0267	-0.005	0.065











EQUIPMENT USED

Serial Number	Description				
Njord1	Wind tunnel, blockage factor = 1.0035				
2254	Control cup anemometer				
-	Mounting tube, $D = 19 \text{ mm}$				
TT002	Summit Electronics, 1XPT100, 0-10V Output, wind tunnel temp.				
TP001	PR Electronics 5102, 0-10V Output, differential pressure box temp.				
DP005	Setra Model 239, 0-1inWC, differential pressure transducer				
HY003	Dwyer RHP-2D20, 0-10V Output, humidity transmitter				
BP003	Setra M278, 0-5VDC Output, barometer				
PL8	Pitot tube				
XB002	Computer Board. 16 bit A/D data acquisition board				
9PRZRW1	PC dedicated to data acquisition				

Traceable calibrations of the equipment are carried out by external accredited institutions: Atlantic Scale, Essco Calibration Labs & Furness Controls. A real-time analysis module within the data acquisition software detects pulse frequency.



Photo of the wind tunnel setup. The cross-sectional area is 2,5m x 2,5m.

UNCERTAINTIES

The documented uncertainty is the total combined uncertainty at 95% confidence level (k=2) in accordance with EA-4/02. The uncertainty at 10 m/s comply with the requirements in the IEC 61400-12-1:2005 procedure. See Document US.12.01.004 for further details.

COMMENTS

This sensor was calibrated at 0°.

Certificate number: 18.US1.05429



CERTIFICATE FOR CALIBRATION OF SONIC ANEMOMETER

Certificate number: 18.US1.05430Date of issue: October 26, 2018Type: Vaisala Weather Transmitter, WXT536Serial number: M4910193Manufacturer: Vaisala, Oyj, Pl 26, FIN-00421 Helsinki, Finland

Client: Aercoustics Engineering Ltd., 1004 Middlegate RD, Suite 1100, S.Tower, Mississauga, ON L4Y 1M4, Canada

Anemometer received: October 24, 2018 Calibrated by: MEJ Certificate prepared by: EJF Anemometer calibrated: October 24, 2018 Procedure: MEASNET, IEC 61400-12-1:2017 Annex F Approved by: Calibration engineer, EJF

Calibration equation obtained: v [m/s] = 0.97306 + f [m/s] + 0.08615

Standard uncertainty, slope: 0.00222

Covariance: -0.0000472 (m/s)²/m/s

 $\label{eq:standard} \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Standard uncertainty, offset: } 0.27161 \\ \mbox{Coefficient of correlation: } \rho = 0.999973 \end{array}$

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Absolute maximum deviation: 0.071 m/s at 14.937 m/s

Barometric pressure: 1005.6 hPa Relative humidity: 29.3%

Succession	Velocity	Temperature in		Wind	Anemometer	Deviation,	Uncertainty
	pressure, q.	wind tunnel	d.p. box	velocity, v.	Output, f.	d.	u _c (k=2)
	[Pa]	[°C]	[°C]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]	[m/s]
2	9.24	22.6	28.0	3.956	3.9667	0.010	0.020
4	14.66	22.7	28.0	4.982	5.0207	0.010	0.023
6	21.10	22.7	28.0	5.978	6.0333	0.021	0.026
8	28.68	22.7	28.0	6.970	7.0733	0.001	0.029
10	37.56	22.7	28.0	7.976	8.1133	-0.005	0.033
12	47.60	22.7	28.0	8.978	9.1500	-0.011	0.037
13-last	58.55	22.7	28.0	9.958	10.1552	-0.010	0.041
11	70.93	22.7	28.0	10.961	11.2033	-0.027	0.045
9	84.77	22.7	28.0	11.983	12.2800	-0.052	0.049
7	99.15	22.7	28.0	12.960	13.2467	-0.016	0.053
5	115.08	22.6	28.0	13.963	14.2467	0.014	0.057
3	131.71	22.6	28.0	14.937	15.1900	0.071	0.061
1-first	149.90	22.5	28.1	15.934	16.2933	-0.006	0.065











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COMMENTS

This sensor was calibrated at 90°.

Certificate number: 18.US1.05430



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Appendix G MECP Letter - March 19, 2018

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

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March19, 2018

Tom Bird Director, Regulatory Blue Earth Renewables Inc.

Dear Tom:

Following September 11th meeting, and after further discussion with the Sault Ste. Marie District Office (D.O.), the MOECC has decided on the path forward for the Bow Lake auditing process. The following details:

- 1. our assessment of data completeness of the I-Audit report prepared by Aercoustics Engineering Ltd. dated May 31, 2017 (Report) , and
- 2. our updated audit requirements for this project:

Assessment of Data Completeness

A summary of the data acquired in the Report is detailed below:

Receptor	Turbine	Data Po Wind Sp	Total	
U	Status	0 m/s	1 m/s	2
R36	Turbine ON	83	286	369
	Turbine OFF	74	51	125
R13	Turbine ON	139	32	171
	Turbine OFF	771	-	771

Section E5.5 (5) of Protocol states that the Ministry requires approximately:

- a) 60 data points for Turbine ON measurements, and
- b) 30 data points for Turbine OFF measurements.

Receptor R36 fulfilled the minimum data requirements.

Receptor R13 failed to meet the minimum data point for the 1 m/s wind speed bin requirements (both Turbine ON and OFF data were deficient). However the Ministry will exercise its discretion and deem the above report complete from a data perspective as the 1 m/s turbine off measurements were not subtracted from the 1 m/s Turbine On values in Section 6 of the Report.

Our detailed review of the Report will now commence. Please provide the following data by a date not exceeding 15 business days of the date on this document:

- I. Input data related to the wind rose diagrams in an Excel spreadsheet.
- II. In accordance to Section D5.6, of the Protocol please confirm that a tonal assessment was undertaken. The tonal assessment shall include but not limited to tonal audibility for all valid data records. The average tonal audibility correction, if any, should be added to the final noise contribution of the wind turbine at those wind speeds.
- III. A weather report for the duration of the measurement campaign, as well as the turbine-specific weather conditions listed in tabular form (i.e., wind speed at hub height, anemometer wind speed at 10m height, air temperature and pressure and relative humidity).
- IV. In an Excel spreadsheet, please provide all unfiltered sound level data collected during the audit measurement, including all accompanying parameters.
- V. In an Excel spreadsheet tabular form, please provide operation data (i.e. wind direction, wind speed, rpm, power output), for all turbines within 1000 m from the monitoring location.

Updated Audit Requirements

One (1) new I-Audit campaign (two receptors) shall be conducted for the Bow Lake Wind Project as detailed in Condition D of REA #8443-9BMG23. These audits shall meet the following conditions:

- a. Follow the RAM-I audit procedure as detailed in Section E5.5 of the 2017 Compliance Protocol (Protocol). As this is a non-typical site (significant elevation change between the turbines and receptor locations) any deviations from the Protocol must receive EAB approval.
- b. The campaign shall be conducted within a unique measurement period (spring or fall). Based on the assessments undertaken by the D.O., many of the main access roads and cabin trails can be accessed throughout the entire year.
- c. Contain a detailed overview of the POR selection process. After some analysis, the ministry is of the opinion that receptor R31 (projected sound level 39.9) should be assessed. In addition the D.O. considers receptor R34 to be a viable audit location due to its vicinity to a campsite and location on a well maintained turbine access road. Please conduct a detailed analysis of all receptor locations and provide justification for the two (2) PORs that will be selected, (Refer to Appendix F3 of the Protocol for guidance). In summary if receptor R31 and/or R34 are not selected, please provide rationale(s) why they are not suitable monitoring locations.

Sincerely,

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Miroslav Ubovic, P. Eng. Senior Noise Engineer Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch

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