On June 29, 2023 the Piatt County Board approved the following text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance dated June 9, 2009 and amended May 17, 2023 with regard to the zoning fee schedule for Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS):

- Fees for Building/Construction Permits for each individual Wind Energy Conversion System turbine shall be calculated at \$25/foot per tower hub height (distance from the center of the rotor hub to the top surface of the WECS tower foundation)
- Applicant for a wind energy conversion system ("WECS") special use, shall, upon submittal of the application, submit a certified check to Piatt County in the amount of \$250,000. This amount shall be placed in a special fund that will be used to cover the County's costs incurred during the special use application review process and public hearing(s), including but not limited to costs of experts and attorneys retained by the County and the cost of any appeals. Should the actual costs of the County ZBA or County Board in connection with the special use application process exceed \$250,000 the applicant shall be responsible for those additional costs incurred and shall remit additional funds in increments of \$50,000 within 15 days of written notice from the County. The county may stay the processing of an application or continue hearings until such time as the additional funds have been paid. Any amount remaining in the fund after the County renders its decisions, exhaustion of all appeals and payment

of all bills and invoices, shall be refunded to the applicant.

Todd Henricks, Piatt County

Board

Attest: