Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Hector Mendez, Interim Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO WAIVE JOB

CREATION REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN TEXAS TAX CODE

§ 313.051 (B) (BG-Q)

DATE: December 18, 2007

House Bill 1470 altered the jobs requirement by adding Section 313.051 (B) to permit a school district's board of trustees to make a finding that the job requirement could be waived if the job requirement exceeds the industry standard for the number of employees reasonably necessary for the operation of the facility of the property owner that is described in the application.

Pistol Hill Wind Energy LLC has requested a waiver of the requirement to create ten full time jobs. Based on the industry standard, the size and scope of this project will require less than ten permanent jobs.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve to waive the job creation requirement set forth in Texas Tax Code Section 313.051 (B) as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Hector Mendez, Interim Superintendent of Schools Tonya Tillman, Assistant Superintendent for Business Operations