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Dear Forest Planning Participant:

The Huron-Manistee National Forests received an application for a special use authorization from White Pines Wind Farm LLC in August 2008 for the installation and operation of 20 to 28 wind turbines and associated infrastructure to provide between 50 and 70 megawatts (MW) of wind energy on National Forest System lands managed by the Huron-Manistee National Forests.

The purpose of this letter is to update you on status of the project. We are planning on conducting further environmental surveys and the applicant will be collecting additional wind information throughout the 2009 field season. Therefore, the White Pines Wind Farm Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be available in the spring of 2010.

If you have any questions regarding the proposed project, please contact Patricia O'Connell, Interdisciplinary Team Leader, at the Cadillac-Manistee Ranger District; telephone: 231-723-2211 ext. 3119; fax: 231-723-8642, email: [poconnell@fs.fed.us](mailto:poconnell@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Barry Paulson*  
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