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## KRUGER ENERGY AND KAHNAWÀ:KE SUSTAINABLE ENERGIES FORM PARTNERSHIP TO DEVELOP A WIND FARM PROJECT

### Public consultations begin in Saint-Rémi and Saint-Michel

Saint-Rémi, Québec, August 17, 2018 – Kruger Energy and Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies (KSE) have entered into a partnership to develop the Des Cultures Wind Farm Project. The 24-MW project in Saint-Rémi and Saint-Michel, slated to be commissioned in the fall of 2021, will undergo a public consultation and a regulatory process that will include an environmental impact assessment. The partnership was announced today in the presence of Mr. Pierre Moreau, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources and MNA for Châteauguay, Mr. Geoffrey Kelley, Minister responsible for Native Affairs and MNA for Jacques-Cartier, Mr. Bud Morris, President of Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies, Mr. Jean Roy, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Kruger Energy, and Mr. Joseph Kruger II, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Kruger Inc.

The partnership will enable the electricity supply contract that KSE signed with Hydro-Québec in 2011 to be realized; it follows the 2009 call for tenders for the purchase of 500 MW of wind power generated by Aboriginal and local community projects in Québec. The Des Cultures Wind Energy Project will be the only Aboriginal project developed following that call for tenders. KSE will be an investing partner, while Kruger Energy will be responsible for the wind farm's development, construction and operation.

"We are proud to be partnering with Kruger Energy on this exciting energy project and to build on our community's desire to work in collaboration with our neighbours on economic development initiatives. We want the Kruger-KSE partnership to be a model of cooperation with long term benefits for our community and the host municipalities," said Bud Morris, President, KSE.

"This agreement with KSE enables us to present a project that will be a model for sustainable development to the benefit of the local economy while promoting the development of an Aboriginal community, and at the same time enabling Québec to gain from the economic, energetic and environmental aspects," said Jean Roy, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Kruger Energy.

Comprising six to ten wind turbines, depending on the selected model, the 24-MW Des Cultures Wind Farm Project will be more modest than the Kruger Energy Montérégie Wind Farm (KEMONT), which includes 44 wind turbines in five municipalities (Saint-Isidore, Saint-Rémi, Saint-Michel, Saint-Constant and Mercier) and has a total installed capacity of 100 MW.

## **Public Information Sessions**

Citizens of Saint-Michel, Saint-Rémi, and Kahnawà:ke will soon be invited to information meetings in their communities where they can learn more about the Des Cultures Wind Farm Project. Representatives from KSE and Kruger will be on hand to answer questions from the municipalities' citizens and participate in discussions. For more information about the upcoming public information meetings, people are invited to visit the Des Cultures Wind Farm Project website at www.projeteoliendescultures.com.





## **About Kruger Energy**

Kruger Energy, a business unit of Kruger Inc., specializes in the development and management of green and renewable energy power plants. Kruger Inc. and Kruger Energy own and manage 38 production sites, ranging from hydroelectric, wind and solar power plants to biomass cogeneration plants, and whose total installed capacity is 540 MW. (<a href="https://www.krugerenergy.com">www.krugerenergy.com</a>)

#### **About KSE**

Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies was founded in 2010 as a subsidiary of the Kahnawà:ke Economic Development Commission. Its mission is to help meet energy demands by developing renewable energy projects that are respectful of the natural world, reduce our collective energy footprint, and generate revenue, employment opportunities and other benefits for the host communities, Kahnawà:ke, and the surrounding regions.

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