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NDSHPO Ref.: 05-0240 HDR/PPM Energy, Inc. 150 MW Rugby Wind Farm,
Pierce County, North Dakota (PSC Case PU-05-47)
September 30, 2005, Letter Correspondence on siting of Turbine and Access
Road facilities and cultural resource recommendations

Dear Michael:

We have reviewed your letter correspondence of September 30, 2005, and find it acceptable. The level and scope of cultural resource investigations are acceptable for the siting of Turbine and Access Road facilities, as outlined in the correspondence.

Also, we concur with the recommendations provided, and we await the formal reporting on those investigations and findings along with the NDCRS site forms generated by the work. Avoidance of the six (6) potentially NRHP-eligible sites (PPM-Rugby-02, -05, -06, -07, -08, and -14) is encouraged, as recommended.

Finally, we look forward to further consultation on this overall project. If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota
and
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