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PU-08-48

**NDSHPO: 08-0343b RUS/RDUP, PSC Minnkota Power Company, 230kV
Transmission Line, Luverne to Maple River Substation, North Dakota
Addendum: Rush River Class I, II, and III CRI Report and Concurrence**

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Dear Mr. Shields:

A. Ruric Todd III
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We have received and reviewed correspondence and report documentation for **08-0343b: RUS/RDUP, PSC Minnkota Power Company, 230kV Transmission Line, Luverne to Maple River Substation, North Dakota: Addendum.** "Rush River Transmission Line for the Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc., Pillsbury-Fargo Generation Outlet Project: Class II and III Cultural Resource Inventories, Cass County, North Dakota," by Duane Klinner (Earthworks ROI 786, June 2008) is acceptable and we concur with the scope of the identification efforts as reported. *We look forward to receiving the final report with the newly recorded SITS assignment (32CS5071) inserted and Addendum.*

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If consulted by a federal/state agency we would concur with "**No Historic Properties Affected**" and "**No Significant Sites Affected**" determinations provided the project is of the nature stated and it takes place in the plotted location described in the project documentation and final report as stipulated above. Also, we concur that site 32CS5071 is not significant and is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Thank you for the opportunity to review the project. If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at (701) 328-3576.

Francis Ziegler
Director
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Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.
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**Letter Re. Class 1,11,111 CRI Report and
Concurrence - Addendum - Rush River**

Sincerely,

State Historical Society of North Dakota

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State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)
and

Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota
c: Susan E. Wefald, President, Commissioner, PSC

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