



**STATE  
HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
OF NORTH DAKOTA**

John Hoeven  
Governor of North  
Dakota

**North Dakota  
State Historical Board**

Chester E. Nelson, Jr.  
Bismarck - President

Gereld Gerntholz  
Valley City - Vice President

Richard Kloubec  
Fargo - Secretary

Albert I. Berger  
Grand Forks

Calvin Grinnell  
New Town

Diane K. Larson  
Bismarck

A. Ruric Todd III  
Jamestown

Sara Otte Coleman  
Director  
Tourism Division

Kelly Schmidt  
State Treasurer

Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State

Mark A. Zimmerman  
Director  
Parks and Recreation  
Department

Francis Ziegler  
Director  
Department of  
Transportation

Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.  
Director

Accredited by  
the American Association  
of Museums since 1986

September 24, 2010

**RECEIVED**

SEP 24 2010

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Jennifer L. Harty  
Senior Staff Archaeologist  
Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson  
128 Soo Line Drive  
PO Box 1157  
Bismarck, ND 58502-1157

NDSHPO REF.: 09-1186 PSC enXco Merricourt Wind Power Project  
Class III Cultural Resource Inventory Report

Dear Jennifer:

We have received and reviewed correspondence and project document for 09-1186: "Merricourt Wind Power Project, Volume 1: A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory in McIntosh and Dickey Counties, North Dakota," by Jennifer L. Harty, Angie Rabe, Amy Luechtmann, Michael Shropshire, Mitch Steckler, and Stacie Taylor (Kadrmass, Lee, and Jackson, ROI 1162, 1175, September 2010), and find it acceptable.

We concur with "*No Significant Sites Affected*" and "*No Historic Properties Affected*" determinations provided the project area is as mapped and described in the report, and that recommendations regarding avoidance outlined are followed as stipulated. We look forward to reviewing forthcoming documents regarding this project if there are changes to avoidance strategies and/or project designs as reported herein.

If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at [ppicha@nd.gov](mailto:ppicha@nd.gov) or (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at [squinnell@nd.gov](mailto:squinnell@nd.gov) or (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.  
State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)

and  
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota

cc: Patrick Fahn, NDPSC