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June 30, 2021

Mr. Patrick Fahn  
Director, Public Utilities Division  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480

**Re: Merricourt Wind Energy Center  
Case No.: PU-08-932**

Dear Mr. Fahn:

Thank you for your letter of June 22, 2021, regarding non-submission of a Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan in the above-referenced matter.

As you may be aware, on November 16, 2016, our company entered into a Turnkey Engineering, Procurement and Construction Services Agreement with EDF-RE US Development, LLC (EDF-USD) pursuant to which EDF-USD developed, designed, procured, constructed, interconnected, tested and commissioned the Merricourt Wind Energy Center on our behalf.

Because EDF-USD did not clear any trees or shrubs during construction, no inventory or mitigation plan was necessitated by the Commission's Order and associated Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications. EDF-USD will likewise so indicate in its June 2021 monthly report to the Commission.

Please let me know if additional information is required.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark B. Bring" with "(ccq)" written below it.

Mark B. Bring  
Director of Legislative Affairs and  
Associate General Counsel

cc: Steven Kahl, Exec. Secretary