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**ND SHPO REF.: 08-0516A PSC Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
"Addendum II - Prairie Winds - ND1 Project: A Class III Cultural Resource  
Inventory of a Proposed Wind Energy Farm in Ward County, North Dakota"**

Dear Mr. Solie,

We reviewed ND SHPO REF.: 08-0516A PSC Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
"Addendum II - Prairie Winds - ND1 Project: A Class III Cultural Resource  
Inventory of a Proposed Wind Energy Farm in Ward County, North Dakota,"  
and find Metcalf's report acceptable. We concur with "No Historic Properties  
Affected" and "No Significant Sites" determinations, provided the project  
remains as described and mapped in the report, and provided that nearby sites  
32WD1714 and 32WD1715 are avoided.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions  
please contact Susan Quinnell at (701)328-3576 or [squinnell@nd.gov](mailto:squinnell@nd.gov)

Sincerely,

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