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ND SHPO Ref: 10-1094 Ashtabula III Wind Energy Center: A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory, Barnes County, North Dakota

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Dear Mr. Burns,

Calvin Grinnell
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We received ND SHPO Ref: 10-1094 "Ashtabula III Wind Energy Center: A Class III Cultural Resource Inventory, Barnes County, North Dakota," and find the report acceptable. We concur with "No Historic Properties Affected" and "No Significant Sites determinations, provided the project is limited to the areas surveyed, and that all eligible sites are avoided.

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Thank you. If you have any questions please contact Susan Quinnell, Review and Compliance Coordinator at (701)328-3576 or squinnell@nd.gov

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Sincerely,

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