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VIA E-MAILED/MAILED

Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: ALLETE Clean Energy through Thunder Spirit
Wind, LLC Thunder Spirit Wind Project
Case No. PU-11-601

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

On Saturday May 30, 2015 at approximately 2:00 p.m. the Thunder Spirit Wind Project site team identified that a repeater station was inadvertently placed on an archaeological site listed with the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). A picture of the repeater station can be found on Attachment A.

Immediately upon notification, ALLETE Clean Energy marked off the site and discontinued construction activities in that area. ALLETE Clean Energy then dispatched an archeologist (Beaver Creek Archaeology) to review the site and make an evaluation of the impacts. The location of the repeater station can be found on Attachment B.

Upon field review of the site, Beaver Creek Archaeology did not believe the site should be listed with the SHPO and has already begun discussions with the SHPO to remove the site from their records. No additional construction activities are allowed to occur near the site until SHPO concurrence has been received.

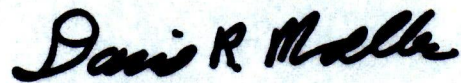
ALLETE Clean Energy will continue to keep the North Dakota Public Service Commission informed of the site's developments, the SHPO concurrence determination and any mitigation resulting from the evaluation.



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Please contact Dan McCourtney at 218.355.3515 or dmccourtney@allete.com with any questions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David R. Moeller". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

David R. Moeller

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Attach.

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Attachment A

Thunder Spirit Repeater Station Location

Attachment B

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Legend

- Thunder Spirit Turbine Locations
- T S Access Roads w SHPO and PSC Concurrence
- Thunder Spirit Arch Sites With Buffers Included
- PLSS SECTIONS



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Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, i-cubed, USDA, USGS, AEX, Getmapping, Aerogrid, IGN, IGP, swisstopo, and the GIS User Community

