



NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY, A MINNESOTA CORPORATION, D/B/A XCEL ENERGY, INC.

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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY UPDATE – COURTENAY WIND FARM

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Xcel Energy, Inc. (Xcel Energy) provides the following update to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) on construction activity at the Courtenay Wind Farm. Wanzek Construction, Inc. (Wanzek) is the general contractor. Vestas American Wind Technology, Inc. (Vestas) is the Turbine Supplier. Construction management teams from Xcel Energy, Wanzek, and Vestas are on-site and engaged in construction management. All Transmission Line work is now complete. All Collection cable plying is now complete. All Turbine Component deliveries are now complete. Erection continues with 86 base-mids erected and 59 complete Turbines erected to date. Substation second main power transformer was energized this week. 30 Turbines have been energized and commissioned to date. Seeding along roads continues. Nightshift work has begun due to strong day time winds.