



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

**ND PSC Case#: PU-15-174**

**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 plowing is now complete. All Turbine Component deliveries are now complete. Erection continues with 95 base-mids erected and 70 complete Turbines erected to date. Two more circuits are expected to be energized in the upcoming week. 34 Turbines have been energized and commissioned to date. Seeding along roads continues. Nightshift work has begun due to strong day time winds.