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—Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail—

Brian Johnson, Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building, Dept. 408
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: SITE PERMIT – EXTRAORDINARY EVENT– UPDATE - **REVISED**
COURTENAY WIND FARM LLC
CASE NO. PU-15-174

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits this revised monthly status update to the North Dakota Public Service Commission regarding damage to the Courtenay Wind Farm caused by an EF-5 tornado and high-speed winds in June 2025.

Our letter update submitted on March 31, 2026 contained an outdated map – attached is the updated aerial map of Courtenay Wind Farm. We have also made some formatting revisions to the remainder of the letter. Apologies for any confusion or inconvenience.

The Company continues to pursue parallel paths in restoring as many turbines to service as possible while identifying options for long-term repairs or repowering. Potential repowering could occur in 2028 or later.

1. Current Turbine Status

Currently, 15 of the wind farm's 100 turbines are operating, 36 are severely damaged and totally inoperable and the remaining 49 are being assessed. The number of turbines in operation has decreased from the 16 we initially reported on September 30, 2025 due to additional damage discovered during ongoing inspections.

2. Map

As requested at the Information Exchange on March 6, 2026, please find attached an aerial map of Courtenay Wind Farm depicting the locations and operational status of the turbines. We will continue to provide an updated aerial map with our monthly letters.

3. Disposal of Damaged Blades

The Company contracted with Vestas to manage the removal and appropriate disposal of all damaged turbine blades. The 10 blades which landed in nearby farmers' fields were removed from the fields as soon as possible. Xcel Energy will continue to work with Vestas to remove any additional debris that is identified.

Vestas arranged transport of all fiberglass blade debris to Wind Power Solutions in Hydro, Oklahoma for recycling. Central Surplus (Oklahoma) serves as the removal contractor for the Courtenay Wind Farm and is engaged by Vestas to remove blade debris from the site.

Wind Power Solutions mechanically shreds and grinds the fiberglass material into small particulate, which is then directed to one of the following end-uses:

1. Incorporation into cement slurry for construction applications; or
2. Use as a supplemental fuel source in thermal kilns to generate energy.

Upon completion of processing, Wind Power Solutions issues a Certificate of Recycling to Central Surplus. Central Surplus, in turn, provides a Certificate of Destruction to Vestas documenting proper disposition of the materials. The Company has received confirmation that 11.05 tons of fiberglass material has been successfully recycled.

4. Path Forward

The Company is conducting a thorough assessment of options, ranging from partial restoration to a full repowering. As part of this process the Company is assessing feasible next steps which include working with its insurers, and has started the claims process. However, it will take additional time for equipment inspections and assessments to be carried out. Upon completion of these steps, we will be able to determine whether we will move forward with completing a partial restoration only, or also pursuing a partial or full repowering.

An electronic copy of this filing is also being sent to you for your convenience. Please contact me at alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,




/s/

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REGULATORY POLICY SPECIALIST

Courtenay Wind Farm

Stutsman County, ND
4/1/2026

Legend

-  High Damage (36)
-  Operational (15)
-  To be repaired (49)

