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September 30, 2026

—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
COURTENAY WIND FARM LLC
CASE NO. PU-15-174

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits this 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.

1. Current Turbine Status

Currently, 31 of the wind farm's 100 turbines are returned to service, 31 are severely damaged and totally inoperable and the remaining 38 are being assessed.

2. Turbine Disassembly

Xcel Energy is advancing a safety-driven disassembly scope for the severely damaged turbines. The current scope includes disassembling 31 turbines with major blade or component damage by removing damaged blades, hubs, nacelles, and upper tower sections down to the base tower section. This work is intended to mitigate the ongoing risk of falling debris, structural instability, and further asset damage while the broader restoration and insurance recovery efforts continue.

As of September 28, 2026, six turbines have been de-stacked:

- T-86 on August 18,
- T-87 on August 24,

- T-88 on August 29,
- T-89 on September 5,
- T-85 on September 10, and
- T-90 on September 19.

Disassembly of T-95 began on September 20, and work on T-98 began on September 27. Construction activities may extend into the 2027 construction season depending on execution progress and seasonal constraints.

Xcel Energy will continue to coordinate with stakeholders, landowners, and relevant permitting and environmental resources as planning and execution proceed, and will provide additional updates to the Commission in future monthly update letters.

3. Map

As requested at the Information Exchange on March 6, 2026, please find attached an updated 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.

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 by completing a partial or full repowering.

Please contact me at alex.j.nisbet@xcelenergy.com if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosure

Courtenay Wind

Stutsman County, ND
9/28/2026

Legend

 De-stacked (6)

 Returned-to-service (31)

 To be de-stacked (25)

 To be repaired (38)

