



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. Construction management teams from Wanzek and Xcel Energy are on-site and engaged in construction management. Footing forms were poured last week for the O&M Building and foundation work will continue this week. A single collection substation main power transformer was delivered to the project site on November 30th and offloaded onto its pad on December 1st. PTI Manitoba arrived on-site to begin dressing out and oil filling the first MPT. These activities will continue this week. Delivery of the second MPT is expected this week and PTI Manitoba will complete dress up and oil filling of the two transformers over the next two weeks. Xcel Energy is in communication with Wenck and we are working towards scheduling an inspection this week.