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ND SHPO REF: 09-1694 PSC Case NO. PU-09-724 NextEra Energy Resources, Inc. proposed Oliver III Transmission Line in portions of Oliver and Morton Counties, North Dakota

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Dear Mr. Holven,

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We reviewed ND SHPO REF: 09-1694 PSC Case NO. PU-09-724 NextEra Energy Resources, Inc. proposed Oliver III Transmission Line in portions of Oliver and Morton Counties, North Dakota, and your associated report "Class III Cultural Resources Investigation Oliver III Transmission Line, Morton and Oliver Counties, North Dakota," and find the report acceptable. We would concur with "No Historic Properties Affected" and "No Significant Sites" determinations provided the following sites are avoided: 32OL591, 32OL587, 32OL588, 32OL589, 32OL586, 32OL583, 32MO1091, 32MO1094, as listed in your report on page 35. In addition cairn Sites 32OL554 and 32OL585 should also be avoided.

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions please contact Susan Quinnell, Review and Compliance Coordinator at (701) 328-3576, e-mail squinnell@nd.gov

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Sincerely,

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