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ND SHPO Ref: 16-0485E PSC Case PU-16-123 Next Era "Oliver III Wind Energy Center; Class III Historic Architectural Resources Survey Morton and Oliver Counties, North Dakota" and mitigation letter dated May 17, 2016

Dear Mr. Schmidt,

We reviewed ND SHPO Ref: 16-0485E PSC Case PU-16-123 Next Era "Oliver III Wind Energy Center; Class III Historic Architectural Resources Survey Morton and Oliver Counties, North Dakota," and find the report acceptable.

We concur with a "*No Significant Sites Affected*" determination provided the project remains as mapped and described, and provided the mitigation measures outlined in your letter, summarized as research and write a publishable article on the five historic properties within the Oliver III survey area and related themes.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. *We look forward to updates on the article on a six month basis.* Please include the ND SHPO reference number listed above in your further correspondence for this specific project. If you have any questions, please contact either Paul Picha at (701) 328-3574 or ppicha@nd.gov or Susan Quinnell at (701) 328-3576 or squinnell@nd.gov.

Sincerely,

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