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## Via Hand Delivery & Electronic Mail

Mr. Steve Kahl North Dakota Public Service Commission 600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408 Bismarck, ND 58505-0480 ndpsc@nd.gov

In re: Oliver Wind IV, LLC

Oliver Wind IV Wind Energy Center - Oliver County

Oliver Wind IV 345-kV Transmission Line - Oliver & Mercer Counties

Siting Applications

Case Nos. PU-23-317 & PU-23-318 OAH File Nos. 20230356 & 20230357

Our File No. 035218-000083

## Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matters, please find eight copies of the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office ("NDSHPO") letter dated January 31, 2024 pertaining to Oliver Wind IV, LLC's visual study of the Oliver Wind IV projects and the Fort Clark State Historic Site and Knife River Indian Villages. As set forth in the January 31st letter, NDSHPO concludes it "do[es] not believe Fort Clark State Historic Site or the Knife Rive Indian Villages National Historic Site will be adversely impacted" by the projects.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely.

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January 31, 2024

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SHSND Ref: 23-0203 Oliver Wind IV Energy Center and Transmission Line, PU-23-317 and PU-23-318 in portions of 168 sections in Mercer and Oliver Counties, North Dakota

Dear Melinda,

We received the files for the Visual Studies requested by the National Park Service for the SHSND Ref: 23-0203 Oliver Wind IV project. Thank you for conducting this study and sharing your findings. Based on this study, we do not believe Fort Clark State Historic Site or the Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site will be adversely impacted.

If you have any questions, please contact Lorna Meidinger, Lead Historic Preservation Specialist, at (701) 328-2089 or <a href="mailto:lbmeidinger@nd.gov">lbmeidinger@nd.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

for William D. Peterson, PhD

Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota