

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Kringstad

From: Robert Frank Public Utility Analyst

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Date: December 3, 2025

Re: Badger Wind, LLC, 251.6 MW Badger Wind Project- Logan & McIntosh, Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-24-345

On November 26, 2025, Badger Wind, LLC, filed a decommissioning plan and cost estimates for the Badger Wind Energy Conversion Center (Badger Wind) located in Logan and McIntosh Counties, North Dakota, authorized in Case No. PU-24-87. Badger Wind consists of 92 wind turbines with a total nameplate capacity of up to 250 MW and an expected commercial operation date of December 2025. Excluding salvage offsets, the total cost to decommission the facility is approximately \$24.75 million, or \$269,080 per wind turbine.

Staff has reviewed the decommissioning plan and cost estimate, believes it complies with Commission rules, and recommends approval.