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PSC Schedules Public Hearing for Proposed Wind Farm Repower Project

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing on August 20th regarding a proposal to “repower” the Prairie Winds Project in Ward County.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative is requesting to amend the siting permit issued in 2009 for the existing Prairie Winds-ND 1 Wind Energy Facility. Basin is requesting to remove the 1.5 megawatt (MW) per turbine and the 115.5 MW facility restrictions. Basin proposes to remove the existing turbines and upgrade them to 1.6 MW turbines with a total facility capacity of up to 128 MWs. The project will not affect the current layout or expand the site boundary.

The project is located in Ward County approximately 24 miles south of Minot, N.D. (Note to the media: A map showing the location of the wind project has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **Thursday, August 20, 2026 – 9 a.m. Central**
Sleep Inn & Suites Conference Center and Water Park
2400 10th Street SW
Minot, ND 58701

The hearing provides an opportunity for members of the public to contribute to the PSC’s official record. Any comments from members of the public must be received at the hearing to be part of the record. People with concerns, questions or support/opposition for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present their information. Information received after the hearing will not be part of the official record and cannot be used as a basis for the Commission’s decision unless certain additional procedures are followed.

The North Dakota Public Service Commission is a constitutionally created state agency with authority to permit, site and regulate certain business activities in the state including electric and gas

