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**Public Utilities Commission** 

Attn: Patricia Van Gerpen, Exec. Director

VIA FILING SERVICE: patty.vangerpen@state.sd.us

RE: In the Matter of the Application by North Bend Wind Project, LLC for a Permit to Construct and Operate the North Bend Wind Project in Hyde County and Hughes County, South Dakota – <u>PUC Docket</u>: EL21-018

MAGT File: 7900

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

I write today regarding the Aircraft Detection Lighting System ("ADLS") for the North Bend Wind Project. This letter continues the Project's commitment to provide biweekly progress updates in the docket until such time as sensor control of the turbine lights is established.

WAPA restored power to the Project on October 24 and Project staff immediately began work to bring all turbines back online and identify any issues created while the turbines were idle in September-October. Technical staff also quickly deployed a firmware update on a test basis to 10 turbines to address issues encountered with certain turbine lighting control modules prior to the WAPA outage. The results of this firmware test will be evaluated on November 12. After making any adjustments necessary to fine tune the system, the Project plans to push new firmware to the remaining towers as quickly as possible in order to restore fully automatic control of all the Project's turbine lighting.

Please file this letter into the docket pursuant to Condition 35. As always, thank you for your courtesies in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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