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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

In Reply Refer To:
OEP/DG2E/Gas 1
Northern Natural Gas Company
Northern Lights 2025 Expansion Project
Docket No. CP24-60-000

November 17, 2025

VIA FERC Service

Donna Martens Senior Regulatory Analyst Northern Natural Gas Company P.O. Box 3330 Omaha, NE 68103-0330

Re: Variance Approval for Additional Temporary Workspace

Dear Ms. Martens:

I grant Northern Natural Gas Company's (Northern) November 7, 2025 request for additional temporary workspace on the Elk River 3rd Branch Line extension in Washington County, Minnesota, as part of the Northern Lights 2025 Expansion Project. Specifically, Northern is requesting approval to use a new timber mat road (ETWS29A), which will be used to repair subsidence near horizontal directional drill P4-5.

Your request is in compliance with Environmental Condition 5 of the Commission's February 19, 2025 *Order Issuing Certificate and Approving Abandonment* (Order) in the above-referenced docket. All federal authorizations relevant to the approved activities herein have been obtained. I remind you that Northern must comply with all applicable remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 502-6412.

Sincerely,

Andrea Bloomfield Environmental Project Manager Division of Gas – Environment and Engineering