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## **National Wind Assessments Selected to Install Meteorological Towers for Nebraska's Largest Electric Utility**

*Minneapolis, Minnesota* – National Wind Assessments announced today its agreement to install ten 60-meter meteorological (met) towers for Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) throughout the state of Nebraska. NPPD requested proposals from several wind assessment companies earlier this year, and awarded National Wind Assessments the contract. In addition, National Wind Assessments will provide wind data collection services for all ten met towers. The state's largest electric utility, NPPD serves approximately one million people in Nebraska.

Nebraska ranks sixth in the country in wind power potential, but currently ranks 19<sup>th</sup> in installed capacity, with just 73 MW of existing projects. As the primary owner and developer of a 60 MW wind energy facility in Ainsworth, NPPD has led the charge for wind power development in Nebraska.

Meteorological towers are becoming a crucial component of every wind development project. Typically a minimum of one year, on-site wind data is needed to effectively site a wind farm.

“We are pleased to provide our wind assessment services to Nebraska's leading utility company,” says Kevin Romuld, President of National Wind Assessments. “We are excited NPPD chose us to help capture Nebraska's wind resources and we look forward to working with them on this project,” says Romuld. “I think being chosen as part of the RFP process, validates National Wind Assessment's expertise and efficiency in met tower installation and wind resource analysis.”

The ten met tower installations will be split into two phases. The first phase of installation and data collection will begin this month.

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**About National Wind Assessments:**

National Wind, LLC, acquired National Wind Assessments, formerly Romuld Wind Consulting, in 2007. Kevin Romuld, President of National Wind Assessments, and founder of Romuld Wind Consulting, supervises this division. Our expert consultants provide comprehensive wind assessments. We provide meteorological tower erection, wind data acquisition, site analysis and modeling, wind farm design and layout, projected energy production and turbine recommendations. Our wind consulting team has worked on over 100 wind projects, primarily in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Missouri, Nebraska, and Kansas. Please visit [www.nationalwindassessments.com](http://www.nationalwindassessments.com) for more information.

**About Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD):** Always there when you need us, NPPD's mission is to safely generate and deliver low-cost reliable energy and provide outstanding customer service. Working in partnership with the state's rural public power districts, cooperatives and municipalities, NPPD, based in Columbus, Neb., helps serve an estimated 1 million Nebraskans with retail or wholesale electric power and energy-related products and services. For more information about NPPD visit [www.nppd.com](http://www.nppd.com) or contact Mark Becker, Media Relations, 402-563-5667.