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PSC to Hold Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Expansion of the Robinson Lake Gas Plant in Mountrail County

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 10th, regarding a proposed expansion of the Robinson Lake Gas Plant located approximately 8 miles northeast of New Town.

The Robinson Lake Gas Plant, owned by Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, was originally constructed in 2007 to process gas from oil production. Since being placed into service, the plant has been modified and redesigned to meet increased regional demand for gas processing of wellhead gas produced by Whiting Oil production, as well as third-party entities active in that area. The proposed expansion puts that plant above the 100 million cubic feet per day production level that requires a formal siting under state law, but will occur entirely within the existing fence line of the plant. The site is approximately 23 acres. Construction of the plant expansion would include the modification and/or installation of underground piping, above ground piping and compression. (Note to the media: A map showing the plant location has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- When: Thursday, April 10, 2014 10 a.m.
- Where: Mountrail County, South Complex Building 8103 61st Street NW Stanley, N.D.

The hearings provide 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 for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present the 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.

The hearing schedule provides for the company to present its case and answer questions from the Commissioners first, after which the Commission will take comments from the public.

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 utilities, telecommunications companies, power plants, electric transmission lines, pipelines, railroads, grain elevators, auctioneers, commercial weighing devices, pipeline safety and coal mine reclamation. For more information, contact the Public Service Commission at (701) 328-2400 or www.psc.nd.gov.

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