

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
Antelope Valley Station Water Pipeline-Mercer Cty  
Siting**

**Case No. PU-04-109**

**NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARING**

**December 15, 2004**

On November 17, 2004 Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin) filed an application for a route permit authorizing construction of approximately 8.9 miles of 42 inch pipeline to transport water from Lake Sakakawea to the Antelope Valley Station and Dakota Gasification Company and the lignite mine facilities of The Coteau Properties Company. The proposed construction will be in Mercer County, North Dakota.

The Commission finds the application is complete.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

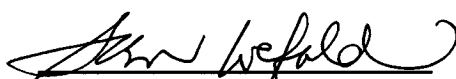


1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed pipeline produce minimal adverse effects on the environment, natural resources, and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Is the proposed pipeline compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed pipeline corridor minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?
4. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

A **public hearing** on this application is scheduled for **Thursday, February 3, 2005 at 9 a.m. (MST), 10 a.m. (CST) at the Beulah Civic Center**, Mercer County Fair Ground, 120 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Beulah ND.

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**LAKE  
SAKAKAWEA**

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**AVS INTAKE  
PUMP STATION**

**PROPOSED AVS  
RAW WATER LINE**

**EXISTING 42" PCCP  
AVS RAW WATER LINE**

ANTELOPE  
VALLEY  
POWER PLANT

1" = 1 MILE

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