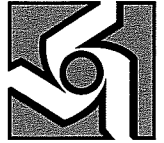

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January 28, 2005

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Department 408
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: PU-04-09

Dear Mr. William W. Binek,

The attached construction documents and drawing (one each), and additional agency correspondence is submitted to the Commission as a part of Basin Electric Power Cooperative's Application for a Route Permit for the Antelope Valley Station Water Pipeline Project.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at your convenience. I can be reached directly at (701) 355-5635 or by e-mail at cmiller@becp.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cris Miller".

Cris Miller
Environmental Coordinator

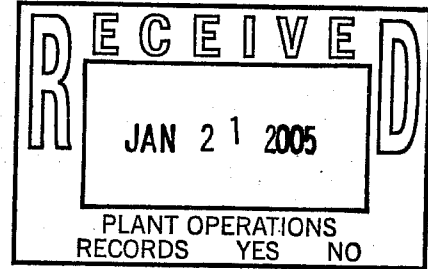
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January 20, 2005

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:



Cris Miller
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Basin Electric Power Cooperative
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Dear Mr. Miller:

This letter is in response to your November 5, 2004 letter regarding the installation of additional water pipeline within the existing right-of-way corridor of Easement No. DACW45-1-77-6051, Lake Sakakawea Project, North Dakota.

Based on your letter and a May 19, 2004 meeting, Basin will construct a new pipeline from the pumping plant due west and at that point exit federal property. As Basin will construct the second pipeline entirely within the existing easement corridor, a formal amendment to change the easement will not be pursued.

In addition, Basin's request has been routed in accordance with the Programmatic Agreement for Operation and Maintenance of the Missouri River Mainstem System for Compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act. Neither the affected Indian tribes nor the State Historical Society of North Dakota voiced any concerns or noted any adverse affects with the proposed action.

Direct any questions to the undersigned at (701) 654-7414, ext. 235.

Sincerely,

Timothy D. Kolke
Chief, Real Estate Office