

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FPL Energy Burleigh County Wind, LLC
230 kV Transmission Line – Burleigh County
Siting Application

Case No. PU-05-205

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARING

April 25, 2005

On April 21, 2005, FPL Energy Burleigh County Wind, LLC (FPL) filed an application for a waiver of procedures and time schedules, and consolidated applications for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit authorizing construction of approximately 28 miles of 230,000 volt (230 kV), three-phase alternating current electric transmission line from the Square Butte Cooperative's Center Substation to the proposed Burleigh County Wind Energy Center located approximately 15 miles east of the Missouri River in Burleigh County. The proposed corridor and route are within Oliver and Burleigh Counties of North Dakota as shown on the attached map.

FPL requests the Commission waive procedures to allow for a single consolidated application for Corridor Certificate and Route Permit, waive procedures and time schedules to allow for a single consolidated hearing on the waiver requests and the consolidated applications for Corridor Certificate and Route Permit, waive or shorten the three-month period specified in North Dakota Century Code Section 49-22-08(5) and the six-month period specified in North Dakota Century Code Section 49-22-08.1(5), and that the Commission waive requirements for mylar maps and aerial photographs.

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 electric transmission line produce minimal adverse effects on the environment, natural resources, and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Is the proposed electric transmission line compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed electric transmission line corridor and route 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 the procedures as requested in the application including the request for a single consolidated application for Corridor Certificate and Route Permit?

A **public hearing** on this application is scheduled to begin **Monday, May 23, 2005 at 9 a.m. CDT (8 a.m. MDT) at the Center Civic Center**, 312 Lincoln Ave., Center, ND. The hearing will be continued **Monday, May 23, 2005 at 3 p.m. (CDT) at the Wilton Memorial Hall**, 105 Dakota Ave., Wilton, ND. Interested parties may attend and be heard at either or both locations.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary at least 24 hours prior.

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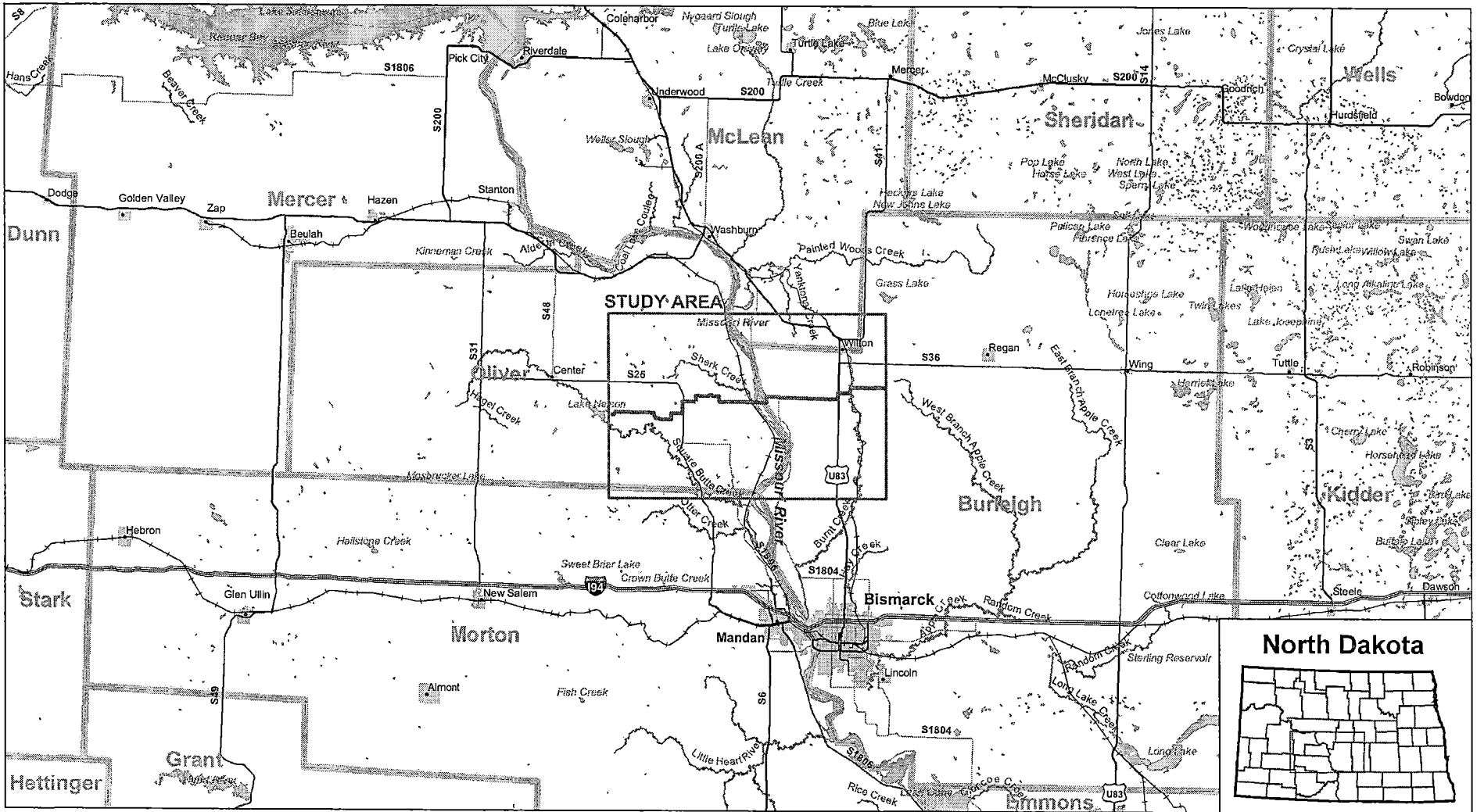
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FIGURE 1
GENERAL LOCATION MAP AND STUDY AREA
FPLE - ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINE
BURLEIGH AND OLIVER COUNTIES, NORTH DAKOTA