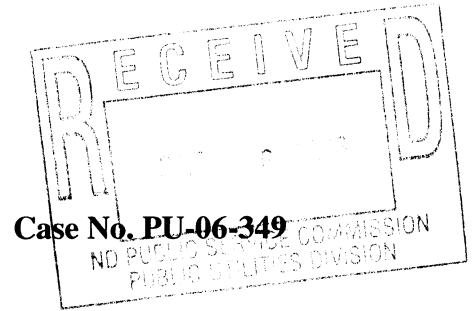


STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota), LLC
Crude Oil Pumping Stations - Mountrail-
McHenry-Ramsey-Grand Forks Counties
Siting Application**



REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM PERMIT CONDITIONS

On September 20, 2006, the Commission issued Corridor Certificate No. 95 and Route Permit No. 105 allowing for the construction of crude oil pumping stations in Mountrail, McHenry, Ramsey and Grand Forks Counties, North Dakota. Said Corridor Certificate and Route Permit were issued pursuant to Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC ("Enbridge") desires to begin construction on some but not all of said pumping stations as soon as possible.

That paragraph No. 5 of the Order provides as follows:

Enbridge shall comply with all the rules and regulations of all other agencies having jurisdiction over any phase of the proposed project, and shall obtain all other necessary licenses and permits, and shall provide copies to the Commission prior to any construction.

Pursuant to the paragraph 5 of said Order Enbridge is concerned that it cannot start construction on any of said pumping stations even though the other licenses and permits have been obtained for a particular station, if licenses and permits may be pending for other stations.

NOW, THEREFORE, Enbridge, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code § 49-22-08.1 and North Dakota Administrative Code § 69-06-05-02(3) requests a variance from said permit conditions so that it may begin construction on any of the pumping stations on which it has obtained all other necessary licenses and permits for construction.

Enbridge suggests paragraph No. 6 of said Order be amended to read as follows:

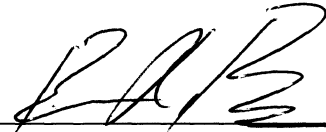
Enbridge shall comply with all the rules and regulations of all other agencies having jurisdiction over any phase of the proposed project, and prior to construction of any particular pumping station, shall obtain all other necessary licenses and permits for construction of that station, and shall provide copies to the Commission prior to construction of each such station.

This is an urgent matter, and Enbridge respectfully requests the Commission to act on this request as soon as possible.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2006.

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