

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Otter Tail Corp. Advance Determination of Prudence Application	Case No. PU-06-481
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. Advance Determination of Prudence Application	Case No. PU-06-482

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS

January 24, 2007

On November 14, 2006 Otter Tail Corp. filed an application for advanced determination of prudence for the company's participation in the Big Stone II generation plant in accordance with the provisions of North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-16. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. filed a similar application on November 15, 2006. Otter Tail, Montana-Dakota Utilities, and five other companies are proposing to construct a 650-megawatt pulverized coal energy conversion facility located adjacent to the existing Big Stone Plant in Big Stone City, South Dakota.

The companies are requesting that the Commission determine the construction of Big Stone Unit II generating station to be reasonable and prudent in order to provide the basis for future rate stability proposals the companies will present to the Commission.

Public Input Sessions will be held **February 5, 2007, at 7 p.m. CST in Bismarck** and **February 12, 2007 at 7 p.m. CST in Jamestown** at locations set forth below. Members of the public are invited to appear and participate in either of the informal discussions. The sessions are not considered part of the technical hearing and the discussions at the sessions will not become part of the evidence reviewed by the Commission in making its decision. The discussions will, however, aid the Commission and its staff in identifying areas of concern to the members of the public and help customers better understand the request.

Public Input Session Locations

February 5, 2007 Bismarck 600 E. Boulevard Ave. 12 th Floor, State Capitol Public Service Commission Hearing Room	February 12, 2007 Jamestown Stutsman County Law Enforcement Center 205 6 th Street SE
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The public will also be able to hear the Bismarck input session by connecting to the Commission's web site www.psc.state.nd.us and clicking on "Meetings" and then clicking on the "Commission Live" link. The Commission will receive e-mail questions during the Bismarck session at ndpsc@state.nd.us and phone calls at 701-328-2400.

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 Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary, at least 24 hours in advance.

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