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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Basin Electric Power Cooperative 230kV Transmission Line – Siting Application  
Case No. PU-07-169

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 49-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, Basin Electric submitted a Letter of Intent dated April 25, 2007, to construct a 230kV transmission line from the Belfield Substation east of Belfield, North Dakota, to a new 230kV substation to be built south of Rhame, North Dakota.

Basin Electric requested the Commission to shorten the one year waiting period between filing a Letter of Intent and the filing for an Application for a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility. By Motion dated July 25, 2007, the Commission acknowledged the Letter of Intent and shortened the one year waiting period between filing a Letter of Intent and a Siting Application to one day and also assessed a filing fee of \$100,000.00 in Case No. PU-07-169 Basin Electric Power Cooperative proposed 230kV electric transmission line in Bowman, Hettinger, Slope and Stark counties of North Dakota.

Based on the foregoing, Basin Electric hereby submits ten copies of its combined Applications for Waiver of Procedures and Time Schedules, Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and a Route Permit for the Belfield to Rhame Transmission Project. Also, enclosed is a check for \$100,000.00 for the filing fee per the July 25, 2007 Commission Motion.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or Application, please call Deborah Levchak, Staff Counsel, at (701) 355-5713 or Kevin Solie, Environmental Analyst at (701) 355-5495.

Please direct any further correspondence regarding this Application to Deborah Levchak, Office of General Counsel, Basin Electric Power Cooperative, 1717 East Interstate Ave., Bismarck, North Dakota.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronald R. Harper  
CEO & General Manager

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