

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Basin Electric Power Coop inc.
230 kV Transmission Line/Williams & Mountrail
Counties
Siting Application**

Case No. PU-07-671

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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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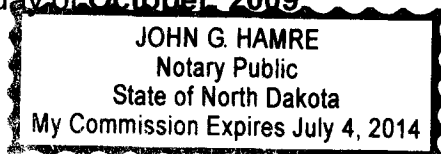
Mr. Ronald R. Harper
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **5th** day of **October, 2009**

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Janet Marquart

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Notary Public

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September 29, 2009

On August 10, 2009, Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Basin Electric) filed an application for a waiver of procedures and time schedules and a consolidated application for a certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit to authorize construction of approximately 61.1 miles of 230 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities extending from an existing substation near Williston to an existing substation near Tioga, North Dakota, as shown on the attached map. The Commission finds the applications are complete conditioned on Basin Electric filing a map detailing proposed final transmission line structure locations on or before October 20, 2009.

Basin Electric requests the Commission waive procedures and time schedules set forth in North Dakota Century Code chapter 49-22 and North Dakota Administrative Code article 69-06 to allow for a single consolidated application for corridor certificate and route permit and to hold a combined hearing on the waiver request and application for corridor certificate and route permit.

A Public Hearing on the application for a waiver and consolidated application for transmission line corridor and route is scheduled to begin **October 27, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. CDT at the City Commission Hearing Room, 22 East Broadway, Williston, ND, 58801.**

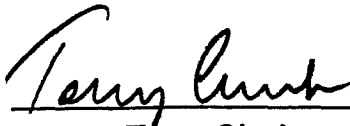
The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility locations 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 procedures and time schedules as requested, including the request for a single consolidated application for corridor certificate and route permit?

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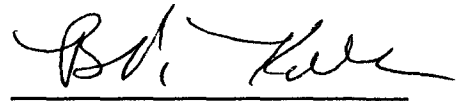
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