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February 5, 2010

Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-07-071  
Williston-Tioga 230 kV Transmission Line

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

**Proposed Structure Locations – January 8, 2010**

On January 8, 2010 Basin Electric filed eighteen proposed structure location changes described on Exhibit A (attached hereto). The Commission has requested further information regarding these proposed changes. Thirteen of these structure locations were changed to accommodate small changes in structure details related to design information acquired from the structure supplier after the public hearing. This information includes soil parameters which determine embedment depth and fabrication details that affect the exact structure span capability. Five structure location changes were proposed to accommodate the crossing of an overhead distribution line. These proposed structure location changes do not divert from the centerline proposed in the Application.

**Proposed Route Change – February 2, 2010**

On February 2, 2010, Basin Electric staff met with Public Service Commission staff regarding a proposed re-route shown on Exhibit B (attached hereto). The proposed route change is located within Sections 32 and 33, Township 156 North, Range 100 West. The land use in Sections 32 & 33 is pasture land. Basin Electric learned in December 2009 that a landowner in Section 32, just south of the proposed line route had begun a gravel pit operation. To avoid this operation, Basin Electric proposes to move the route 62.5 feet north. As shown on Exhibit B, the centerline of structures 109 through 120 would shift to the north. In addition, structures 121 through 127 would shift on the north/south segment along the original centerline.

The proposed re-route involves four landowners. Wade Smith who signed an earlier easement, has agreed to the re-route and is expected to sign a revised easement. Terry Smith has signed the new easement. The North Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT) has also agreed to the new route and is expected to sign the new easement; no structures will be on DOT property. The fourth landowner, Metzger Robinson Trust did sign the original easement and is expected to sign the revised easement.

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**Proposed Structure Locations – February, 2010**

In addition to the structure relocations noted in our January 8, 2010 submittal, Basin Electric hereby proposes additional structure location changes depicted on Exhibit C (attached hereto).

Thirteen of these structure locations were changed to accommodate small changes in structure details related to design information acquired from the structure supplier after both the public hearing and after our January 8, 2010 submittal. This information includes soil parameters which determine embedment depth and fabrication details that affect the exact structure span capability. Five structure location changes were proposed to accommodate the crossing of an overhead distribution line. These proposed structure location changes do not divert from the centerline proposed in the Application.

Thank you for considering the proposed structure location changes and the proposed re-route in Sections 32 and 33. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (701) 557-5413.

Sincerely,



Casey J. Jacobson  
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January 8, 2010

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Re: Case No. PU-07-671  
Williston to Tioga 230kV transmission line

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed are ten (10) copies of the proposed route changes regarding the above entitled matter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [cjacobsons@bepc.com](mailto:cjacobsons@bepc.com) or (701) 557-5413.

Sincerely,



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## PSC Updates for Structure Moves

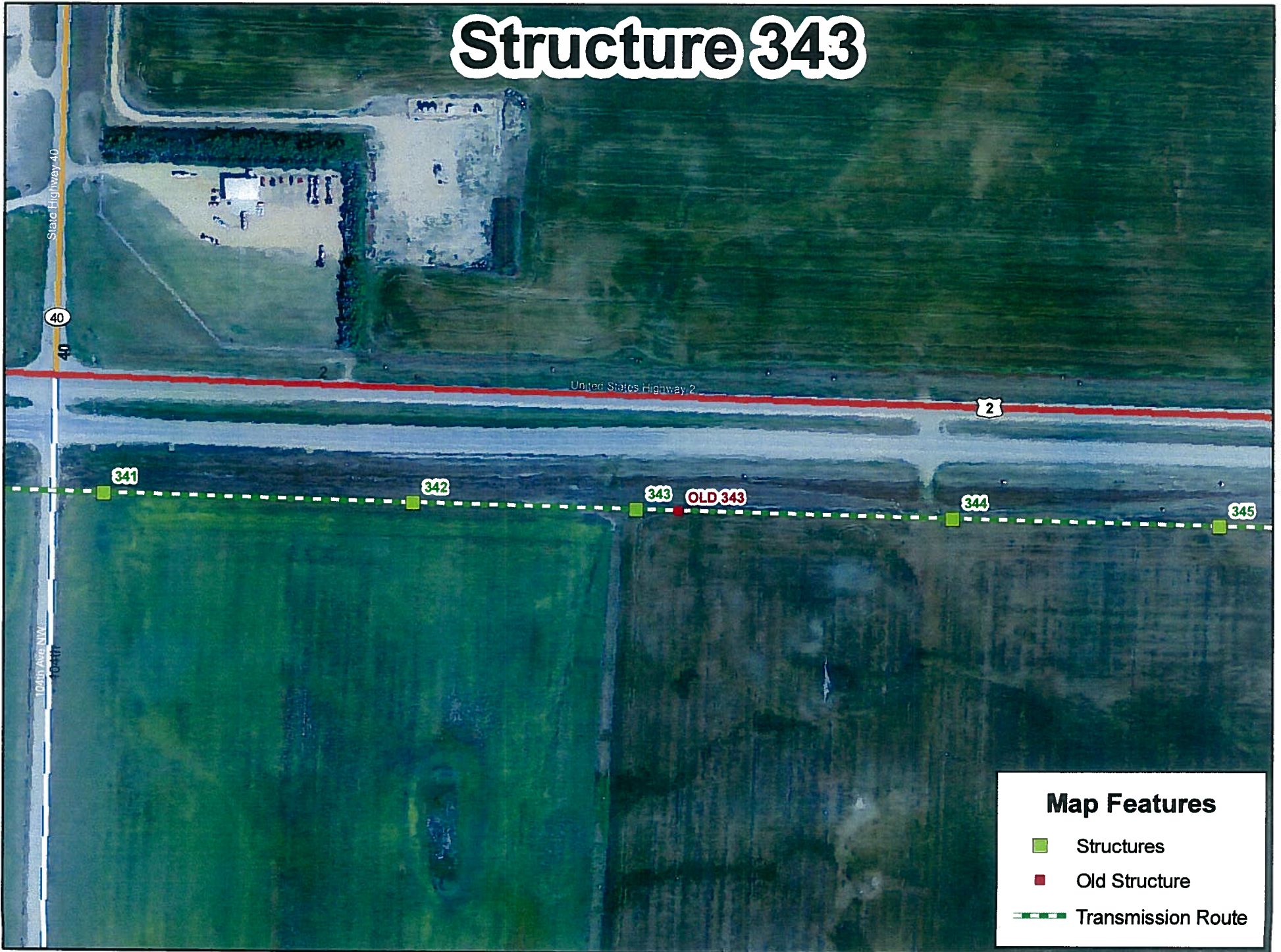
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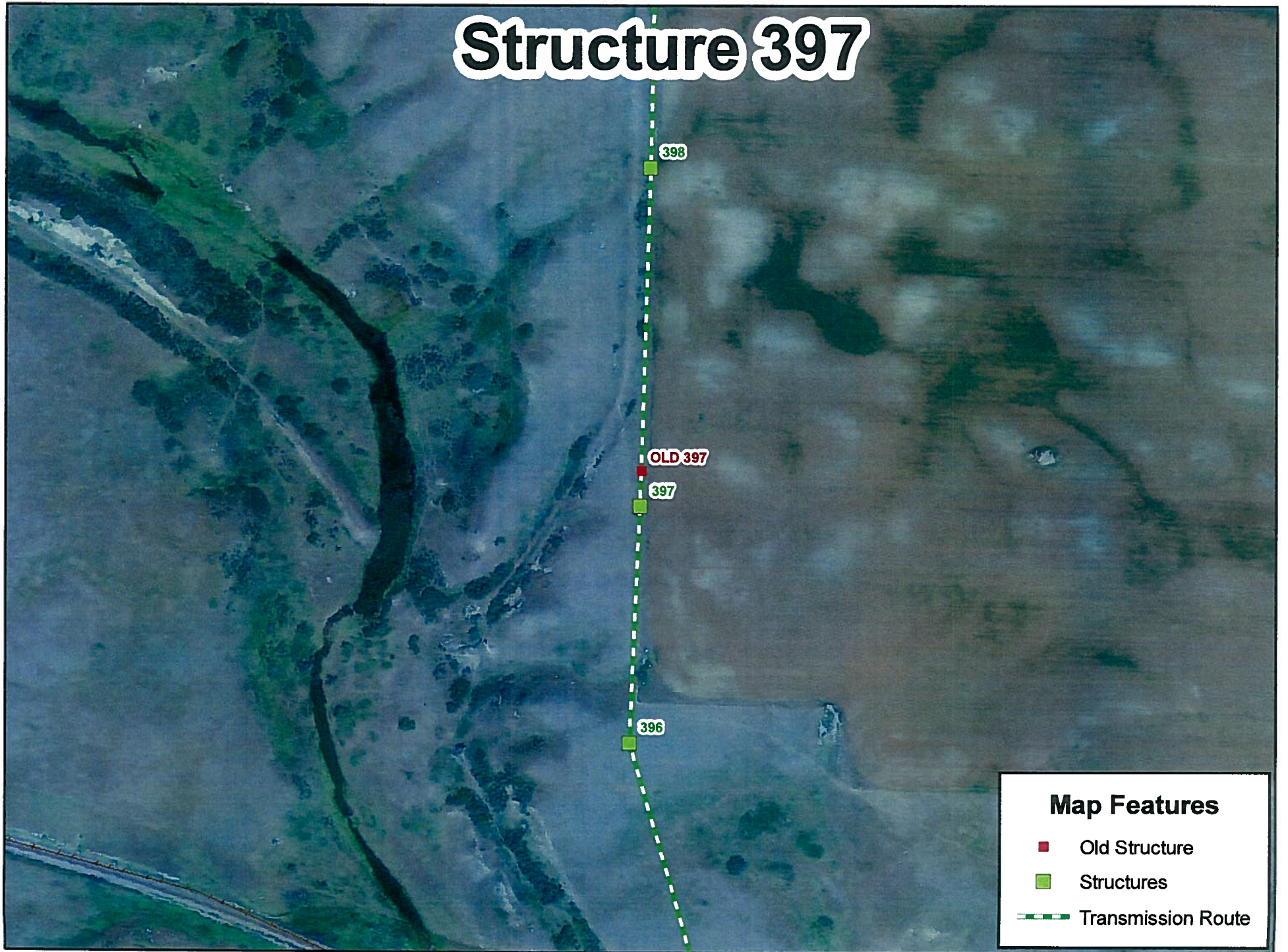
<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sheet #</u>
MOVED STR 9 BK 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-002
MOVED STR 20 BK 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-004
MOVED STR 37 10 FEET AH TO STATION 272+70	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-006
MOVED STR 64 BK 30 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-011
MOVED STR 91 AH 10 FEET, STR 93 AH 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-015
MOVED STR 107 AH 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-019
MOVED STR 119 AH 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-020
MOVED STR 142 AH 20 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-024
MOVED STR 230 AH 30 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-036
MOVED 341 AH 20FT, 342 AH 30FT, 343 BK 100FT*, 344 BK 20FT, 345 BK 10FT	01/04/2010	296-090-T3-054
MOVED STR 395 BK 10 FEET	10/22/2009	296-090-T3-061
MOVED STR 397 BK 80FT* AND STR 398 BK 40FT	01/04/2010	296-090-T3-062

\*Sketches are provided for structures with moves greater than 50 feet. Sketches are shown for structures 343 and 397.

# Structure 343



# Structure 397



# Exhibit C

## PSC Updates for Structure Moves

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February 2010

<u>Description</u>	<u>Sheet #</u>	<u>Description of move</u>
MOVED STR 15 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-002	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 86 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-014	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 93 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-015	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 99 BK 40 FEET	296-090-T3-018	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 100 BK 10 FEET	296-090-T3-018	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 105 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-018	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 146 BK 10 FEET	296-090-T3-025	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 249 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-039	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 332 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-052	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 353 BK 20 FEET	296-090-T3-055	Distribution Crossing at Station 2832+62
MOVED STR 354 BK 70 FEET	296-090-T3-055	Distribution Crossing at Station 2832+63
MOVED STR 355 BK 240 FEET	296-090-T3-055	Distribution Crossing at Station 2832+64
MOVED STR 356 BK 160 FEET	296-090-T3-055	Distribution Crossing at Station 2832+65
MOVED STR 357 BK 60 FEET	296-090-T3-055	Distribution Crossing at Station 2832+66
MOVED STR 361 BK 20 FEET	296-090-T3-055	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 363 AH 20 FEET	296-090-T3-055	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 368 AH 50 FEET	296-090-T3-057	More efficient use of structure
MOVED STR 371 AH 10 FEET	296-090-T3-058	More efficient use of structure