

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company
Fargo- St. Cloud MN 345 kV Cap X Transmission Line
Siting Application

Case No. PU-07-759

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Cara DeSaye deposes and says that:

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Notice of Filing, Notice of Informal Hearing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

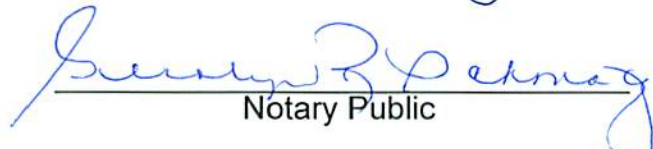
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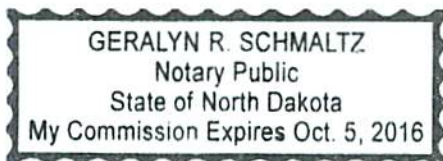


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**NOTICE OF FILING, NOTICE OF INFORMAL HEARING AND NOTICE OF
 OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING**

July 30, 2013

On September 12, 2012 the Commission issued Corridor Certificate No. 139 and Route Permit No. 152 to Northern States Power Company (NSP) authorizing construction of the North Dakota portion of a new 345 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities proposed from St. Cloud, MN to near Fargo, North Dakota.

On July 24, 2013 NSP filed an application for waiver or reduction of procedures and time schedules, an amended certificate of corridor compatibility and an amended route permit for five modifications to the route and corridor as indicated on the attached map. In its application for waiver or reduction of procedures and time schedules, NSP requests the Commission waive:

- Procedures that require separate filings of applications for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit,
- Procedures that require separate notices of such applications,
- Procedures that require separate hearings on such applications,
- Procedures that require a public hearing on an application for a certificate of corridor compatibility,
- Procedures that require a public hearing on an application for a route permit.

The issues to be considered in NSP's application for waiver or reduction of procedures and time schedules are:

1. Are the proposed facilities associated with the proposed amendments of such length, design, location, or purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived?
2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in NSP's applications for amended certificate of corridor compatibility and amended route permit are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities associated with the proposed amendments produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities associated with the proposed amendments compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?

3. Will the proposed facility locations associated with the proposed amendments 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?

Those interested are invited to comment on the requests in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by September 4, 2013.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

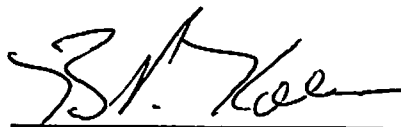
An **Informal Hearing** of this matter is scheduled to begin on **September 11, 2013, at 2:30 p.m. CDT** in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th floor of the State Capitol. At the informal hearing, the Commission will discuss this matter with the parties and interested members of the public.

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 the Commission.

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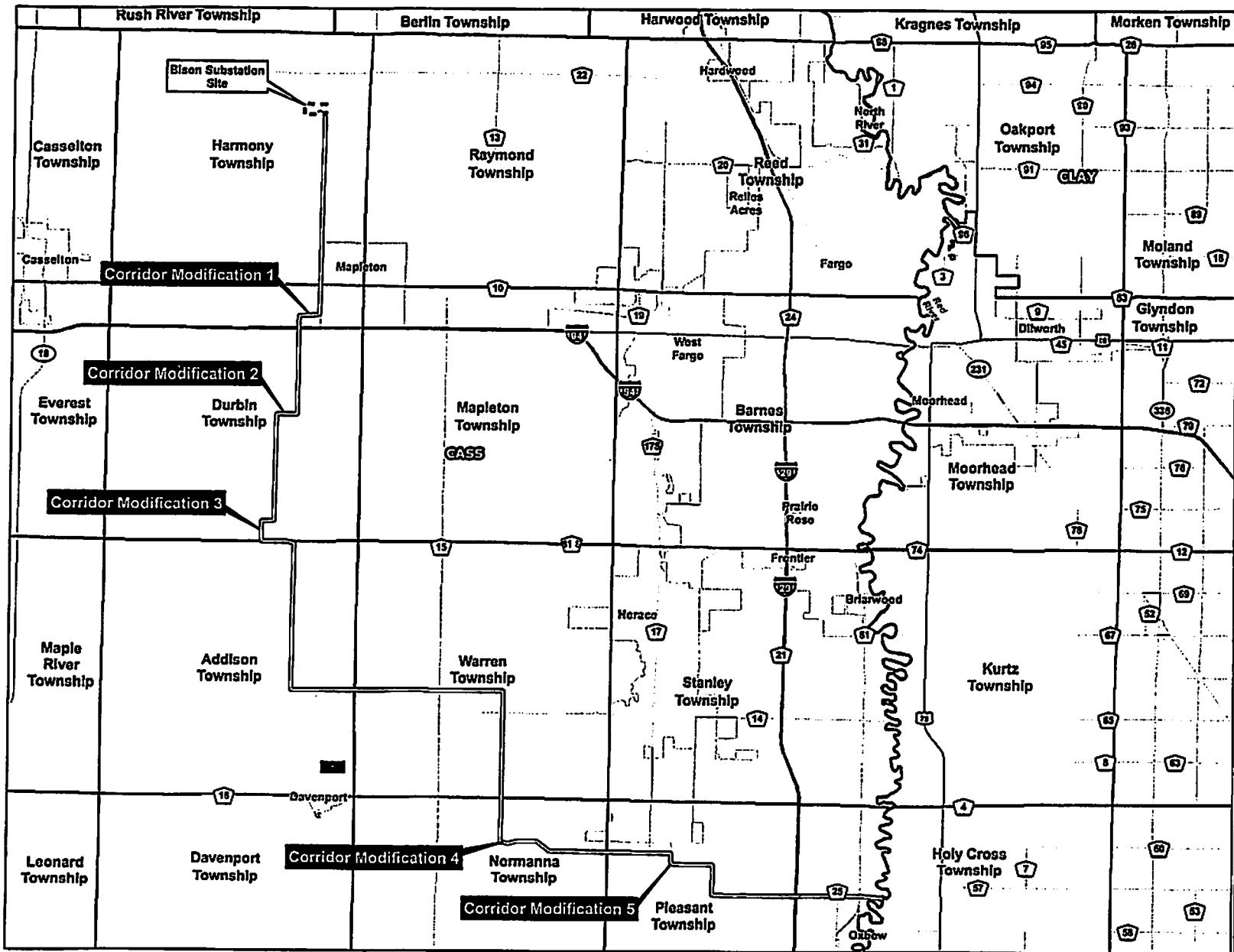
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Legend

- Proposed Alignment
- Municipal Boundary
- Township Boundary
- County Boundary
- Lake
- River

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**Fargo to St. Cloud 345kV
 Transmission Line Project
 North Dakota
 Corridor Modifications**

DRAWN BY: MLTEICHERT DATE: 07/23/13

Revised 07/23/13 CapX 345kV Line to Fargo/SD
 Project 2012-2013
 County, State, Federal, Utility, Other