



December 17, 2014

North Dakota Public Service Commission

**Case Number:** PU-07-759

**Re:** CapX2020 Fargo to St. Cloud MN 345kV Line Weekly Update

North Dakota Public Service Commission:

This update letter serves to meet the weekly reporting requirements of the North Dakota Route Permit of the CapX2020 Fargo-St. Cloud transmission line project. As of December 15, 2014, the following work has been completed:

**Construction Overview Bison Substation**

	% Complete	Scheduled Start Date	Scheduled Complete Date
<b>Bison Substation</b>			
Access Road and Site Grading	100%	7/29/13	9/30/13
Install Pad	100%	10/1/13	3/14/14
Install Hardware	90%	1/1/14	2/7/15
Testing / Commissioning	0%	TBD	TBD

**Construction Overview Line 0955**

	Vegetative Management	Construct Foundations*	Erect Support Structures*	Stringing Conductors
<b>Fargo to MN Border (Line 0955)</b>				
Segment 1: Structures 1- 88	100%	100%	100%	0%
Segment 2: Structures 89 – 187	100%	100%	100%	33%

\*All towers and foundations have been installed on the project.

**Tree Mitigation Plan**

Xcel has contracted with the Cass County Soil Conservation District for replanting trees as required under the Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan. Trees are planned on being replanted in 2015.

Please contact me (952-832-2662) if you have any comments or questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

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