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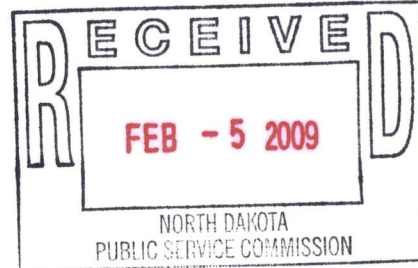
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Ms. Annette Bendish
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Re: Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation ⁸⁴³
Siting Application for 6th Natural Gas Line (PU-08-~~943~~) and 8th Oil Line (PU-08-844)
OAH File No. 20080305

Dear Ms. Bendish:

On November 25, 2008, you requested the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matters of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, PU-08-843 and PU-08-844 (two applications that were consolidated for hearing). I was designated as a procedural administrative law judge to conduct the hearing, but not to make recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or to issue a recommended order. The hearing on these matters was held on February 3, 2009. I understand that the agency will issue the appropriate order.

I am closing our file on these matters and returning that portion of the record I have in my possession to you for filing with the official agency record of these matters. I am also enclosing the CDR (recording) of the hearing for your records. After the close of the hearing I left the four exhibits for each application with Mr. Fahn. Three of the exhibits for each application are inside the fourth exhibit, which is the application for each matter.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Allen C. Hoberg
Administrative Law Judge

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Cc: John W Morrison, counsel for Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation

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