



July 7, 2009

VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Mr. Jerry Lein
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480

RE: Case No. PU-09-151
Supplemental Filing

Dear Mr. Lein,

You requested that Minnesota Power, an operating division of ALLETE, Inc., provide preliminary turbine locations for its Bison I Wind Project. A map showing those preliminary turbine locations along with delineated wetlands and cultural resources sites is attached. This supplement to Minnesota Power's Application is being filed electronically to facilitate docketing prior to the Commission's hearing on July 8, 2009. The original and ten copies will be mailed.

In addition, as we discussed, Minnesota Power and its consultants are evaluating whether the project will have any significant impact on wetlands and cultural resources. To that extent, Minnesota Power will submit prior to the public hearing an abridged wetlands delineation report and a preliminary cultural resources inventory. Minnesota Power is working with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers to reach a final determination on whether any jurisdictional wetlands will be impacted by this project that require a permit. Minnesota Power is also working with the North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office to determine whether any cultural resources will be impacted. Minnesota Power will work with both agencies so that the status of any required permitting will be addressed before the public meeting.

Please let us know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

David R. Moeller

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