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December 31, 2009

Mr. David Moeller, Attorney  
Allete, Inc.  
Minnesota Power  
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Duluth MN 55802-2093

RE: Case No. PU-09-151  
Interim Siting Fee Refund

Enclosed please find an interim refund check in the amount of \$77,911.65 representing a siting application fee interim refund for Case No. PU-09-151.

This check represents a refund of the portion of the siting application fee paid in the above case, less expenditures. An accounting showing original fees paid in the case, expenditures deducted, and amount remaining is attached.

After post-construction inspections are complete, and tree mitigation or other reclamation projects are satisfactory in each case, the Commission will issue a final refund of the entire remaining balance for that case.

If you have any questions regarding the fee process, the interim refund, the expenditures, or the plans for final refund, please contact me at 701-328-4077.

Sincerely,

Patrick Fahn, Director  
Compliance & Competitive Markets

**INTERIM SITING REFUND**

**December 31, 2009**

**Allete, Inc.  
Bison 1 Wind Project – Oliver/Morton Counties  
Siting Application**

**Case No. PU-09-151**

<b>Statutory Fee Collected:</b>	<b>\$85,000.00</b>
<b>Expenses Incurred to Date:</b>	
In State – Vehicle Mileage	18.00
Motor/Aircraft Pool	28.14
Postage and PO Box Rental	54.64
Advertising Services	398.16
Legal – Administrative Hearings	609.41
Professionals Not Classified	980.00
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	<b>2,088.35</b>
<b>Interim Refund</b>	<b>\$77,911.65</b>
<b>Balance After Refund</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>