

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Case No. PU-09-151

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE REGULAR, EMAIL OR INSIDE MAIL**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**Cara DeSaye** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **12<sup>th</sup>** day of **November, 2010**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, 18 envelopes by first class mail, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy; 7 envelopes by Inside Mail; and 13 electronic mail messages, each with an attached electronic copy of:

**Notice of Informal Hearing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing**

The envelopes and electronic mails respectively were addressed as follows:

See attached list.

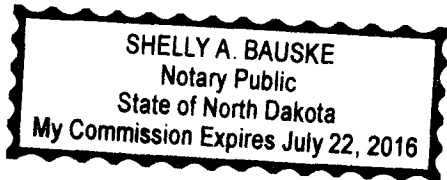
Each post office address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address and each email address is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable electronic mailing address.

  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **12<sup>th</sup>** day of **November, 2010**.

  
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Notary Public

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

**November 12, 2010**

On September 29, 2009, Certificate of Site Compatibility for Energy Conversion Facility No. 15 was issued to Minnesota Power, an operating division of Allete, Inc., (Allete) authorizing construction of a 75.9 MW Bison 1 Wind Project consisting of up to thirty three 2.3 MW wind turbine generators and associated facilities to be constructed in two phases in Morton and Oliver Counties of North Dakota. On November 8, 2010, Allete filed a request to modify the Certificate to move one wind turbine generator approximately 215 feet; and for authority to utilize Siemens direct drive turbine technology with 3.0 MW wind turbine generators and a resulting increase in overall total generating capacity to 81.8 MW and a decrease by two in the total number of turbines to 31.

The issues to be considered in this matter are:

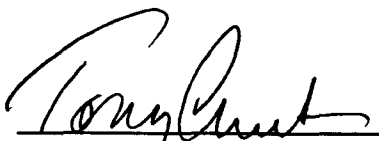
1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the modified facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the modified facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the modified facility locations 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 permit modification request 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 **December 13, 2010**. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

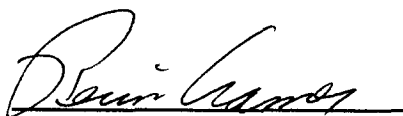
An informal hearing of this matter is scheduled to begin on **December 8, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. CST** in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the State Capitol. At the informal hearing, the Commission will discuss this matter with the parties and interested members of the public.

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.

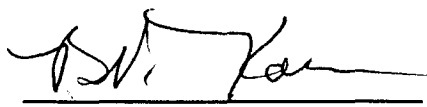
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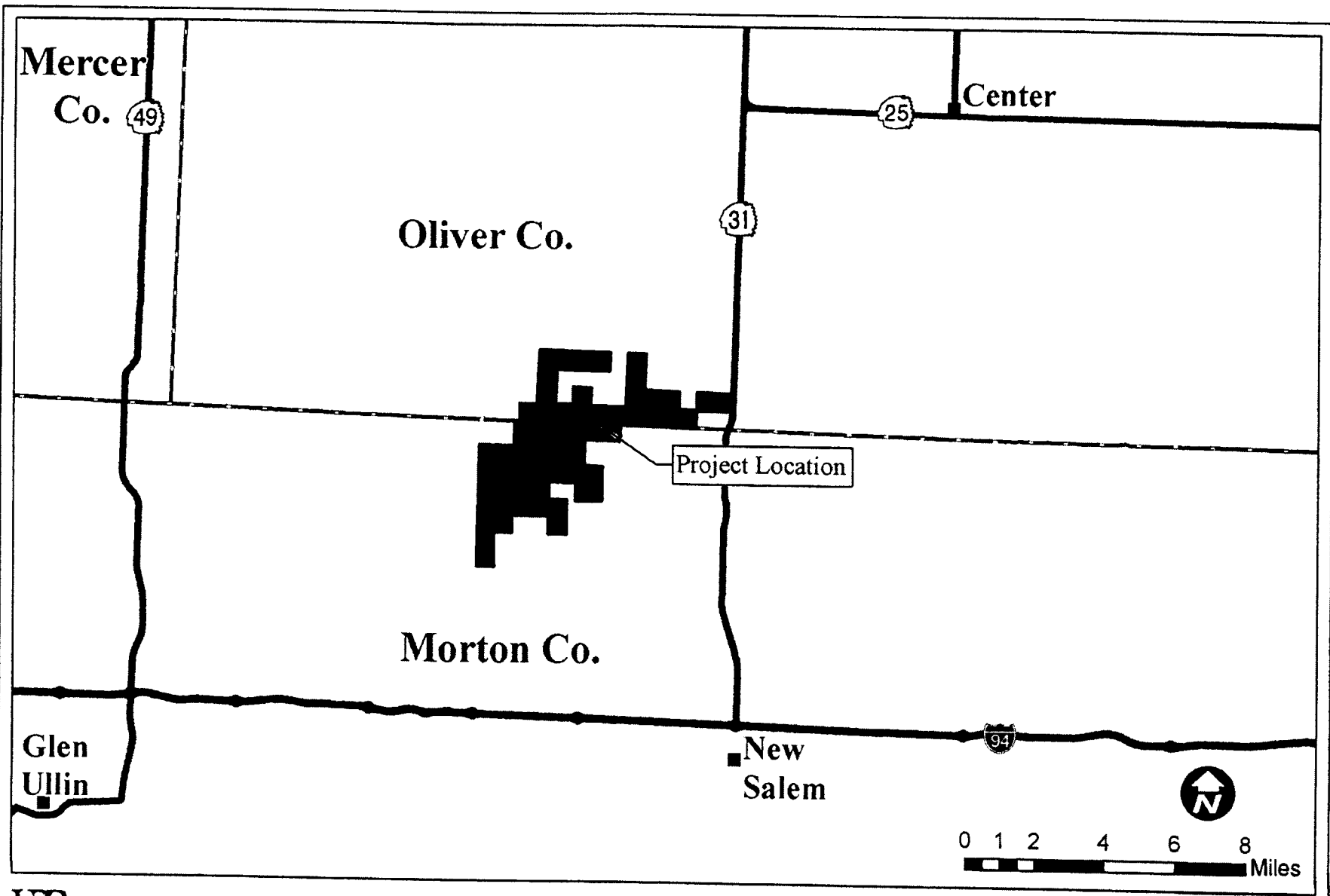


Figure 1: Project Location  
Bison I Wind Project  
Minnesota Power  
Morton & Oliver Counties, ND

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