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March 10, 2010

Mr. Mike Eggl, Sr. Vice President  
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RE: PU-09-390  
Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
2008 Renewable and Recycled Energy Objective  
Reports


Dear Mr. Eggl:

Thank you for your letter dated February 22, 2010 requesting clarification from the North Dakota Public Service Commission in two areas related to the state's renewable and recycled energy objective. In your letter you ask for clarification on the expected content and format of the required annual reports, and the obligation of electric utilities for the treatment of renewable energy credits.

The Commission held a work session on March 4, 2010 to discuss your request, and considered the matter at the administrative portion of its regular meeting on March 10, 2010. The Commission asked me to respond to your questions.

The Commission directed staff to draft proposed rules to standardize the reporting content and format. We look forward to working with you and other stakeholders in the rulemaking process. Current rules and statutes are silent regarding how electric utilities must treat renewable energy credits. However, the Commission encourages electric utilities to use the credits for the benefit of their customers.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call or write.

Sincerely,  
  
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**Letter Response to Basin's Letter Requesting  
Clarification**

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