

Lein, Jerry R.

From: Lein, Jerry R.
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 12:27 PM
To: Jim Atkinson (ALLETE); David Moeller (ALLETE)
Cc: -Grp-PSC Commissioners; -Grp-PSC Public Utilities; -Grp-PSC Legal
Subject: FW: Request for Minor Route Adjustment, Case No. PU-09-578
Attachments: MA-32874_rev-1.pdf; bison-1_reroute_str-72-78.pdf

Jim – Please consider this e-mail to be staff approval of the transmission line structure location changes as requested. Thanks.

From: Lein, Jerry R.
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 5:19 PM
To: -Grp-PSC Commissioners; -Grp-PSC Public Utilities; -Grp-PSC Legal
Subject: FW: Request for Minor Route Adjustment

If anybody has any thoughts or concerns with this reroute, then please let me know by tomorrow afternoon. Otherwise, I am planning to grant staff approval around 3 pm. New structure locations are indicated by red double dots on the MA-32874 drawing file. Thanks.

From: Jim Atkinson (ALLETE) [mailto:jbatkinson@allete.com]
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2010 2:19 PM
To: Lein, Jerry R.
Cc: Ron Gullicks (MP); Dave Johnson (MP); David Moeller (ALLETE)
Subject: Request for Minor Route Adjustment

Hi Jerry,

As I indicated earlier, Minnesota Power requests Commission approval of a minor (approximately one mile) adjustment to its 230kV transmission line, Case Number PU-09-587.

This route adjustment affects only the landowner who originated the request and involves six transmission structures. Minnesota Power has commission Beaver Creek Archaeology out of Mandan to survey the one mile segment of new ROW. Due to time constraints, it is necessary that Minnesota Power be allowed to make micro-siting adjustments in structure locations (that maintain the proposed centerline) in order to avoid impact to any cultural resources that may be identified. If granted this request and authorized to make subsequent siting decisions on individual structures based on archaeology (confined to the centerline of this one mile segment), Minnesota Power will provide after the fact to the Commission, as-built coordinate and design information for each structure.

Please review the attached drawings for a better understanding of the request. On the file bison-1_reroute the original alignment is represented by a teal line and the proposed reroute is pink. The other file is the final draft of the exhibit for the revised easement.

Minnesota Power is pursuing this authorization for the sole purpose of addressing last minute concerns of a participating landowner. To accommodate those concerns while construction is in full swing requires us to act quickly. It is for this reason we humbly ask for the Commission's timely response.

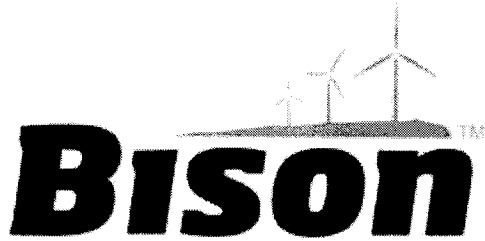
Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please call any time with questions.

Jim Atkinson

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
 That part of the East Half (E1/2) of Section 7, Township 141 North, Range 84 West, Oliver County, North Dakota, lying 115 feet on each side of the following described line: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 7; thence South 88 degrees 52 minutes 35 seconds East, assumed bearing along the South line of said Section 7, a distance of 523.67 feet to the Point of Beginning of the line to be described; thence North 30 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 4196.50 feet, more or less, to the East line of said Section 7, and said line there terminating. Containing 22.15 acres more or less.



LEGEND

- Road Right-of-Way Line
- Transmission Right-of-Way Line
- Section Line
- Section Quarter Line
- Section Sixteenth Line



**230KV TRANSMISSION RIGHT-OF-WAY PLAT
 NE1/4 & SE1/4 of - SECTION 7
 TOWNSHIP 141 NORTH - RANGE 84 WEST**

REV. 1 DATE: 6-21-10

MA-32874

DWN: D.J.L. APP. DATE: 10/01/09 SCALE: 1" = 500'

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