



August 24, 2010

RECEIVED

AUG 24 2010

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VIA EMAIL

Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480

RE: Bison 1 Wind Project
Oliver/Morton Counties
Siting Application
Case No. PU-09-151

230 kV Transmission Line / Morton and Oliver Counties
Case No. PU-09-587

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Please find attached Minnesota Power's weekly construction report for the week ending August 21, 2010 in the above-referenced cases.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David R. Moeller

kl

Attachment

c: Ron Gullicks, Minnesota Power
Jim Atkinson, Minnesota Power

56 PU-09-587 Filed: 8/24/2010 Pages: 2
Allete, 230 kV Transmission Line - Construction
Report for week ending 8-21-10

Allete, Inc.

David R Moeller

230 kV Transmission Line / Morton and Oliver Counties
PU-09-587
Week Ending 8-21-2010

Work Completed this Week: MJ ELECTRIC UTILITY DIVISION

- MJ completed installation of avian diverters, structures 34 to 82.
- MJ completed installing, tensioning and securing all conductor, fiber and static cables, structures 108 to 132.
- MJ / WINCO aerial pull line installation to begin Tuesday 08/24, structures 108 to 82.
- MJ / WINCO completed installation of avian diverters on approximately 10 miles of Minnesota Power Center – Duluth +/- 250 kV DC line.

230 KV Square Butte Substation Modifications: HOOPER Electric Corporation.

- HOOPER continued installation of control cable.
- HOOPER continued wiring of electrical devices.
- HOOPER completed installation of 230KV switch.

- HOOPER completed installation of (3) 230KV Metering CT's.
- HOOPER restored rough grade.
- HOOPER completed change out of faulted 230KV circuit breaker CT's.
- HOOPER installed dead – end structure.