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RE: The Meadows Assisted Living
Request for a Determination Rule 69-09-02-37
PSC Case No. PU-09-588

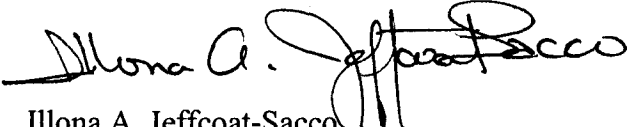
Dear Mr. Foss:

Thank you for your letter of 6 August 2009 regarding The Meadows Assisted Living facility in Garrison, ND. In your letter you indicate that Otter Tail Power Company requested that you obtain the Commission's written agreement that no master meter prohibition applies before Otter Tail would install a master meter in the facility.

The Commission discussed your request at its regular administrative meeting on 12 August 2009 and asked me to reply to you with the results of that discussion. The Commission agrees that, as described by you, The Meadows is a "home for the elderly" under North Dakota Administrative Code section 69-09-02-37 and consequently, the prohibition in that rule against master metering is inapplicable to the facility.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to call or write.

Best Regards,



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