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25 February 2011

Mr. Allen C. Hoberg  
Office of Administrative Hearings  
1707 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Lower Level  
Bismarck, ND 58501

Re: Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.  
345 kV Transmission Line - Center to Grand Forks  
Siting Application  
Case No. PU-09-670

Dear Mr. Hoberg:

Enclosed is a request for an Administrative Law Judge in the captioned case.

Three Public Hearings are tentatively scheduled for this case. The first is set for Monday, 2 May 2011, in Grand Forks, North Dakota, the second for Wednesday, 4 May 2011, in Carrington, North Dakota, and the third for Friday, 13 May 2011, in Washburn, North Dakota. All three hearings are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. CST, at locations yet to be determined. When a Notice of Hearing is issued, we will forward it to your office.

The Administrative Law Judge will serve as a procedural law judge and the hearing will be electronically recorded.

Please note the application is for a corridor certificate only. The application for a route permit will follow.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Best regards,

Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco  
General Counsel

enclosure  
c: w/encl. Lawrence Bender



**REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE--APPEAL, APPLICATION, OR PETITION**  
 NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
 SFN 17819 (Rev. 03-2001)

Name of Agency, Board, or Commission  
 North Dakota Public Service Commission

The above named agency, board, or commission requests designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings for the Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. - 345 kV Transmission Line - Center to Grand Forks  
 Siting Application - Case No. PU-09-670

(e.g., application of [name], appeal of [name], petition of [name]). Authority for the administrative action is found in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49 -22 \_\_\_\_\_ (North Dakota Century Code and/or North Dakota Administrative Code).

Please attach related documents and correspondence.

The administrative action is more fully described as follows:  
 Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. filed an Application for a waiver of the corridor width requirement and an Application for a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit. Issues to be considered will be described in more detail within the Notice of Hearing.

It requests designation of an administrative law judge (please check one):

- To conduct the hearing and issue recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.
- To serve as a procedural administrative law judge only (no recommended decision). The agency head will be present at the hearing as required by NDCC 54-57-04(6).
- To conduct the hearing, issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a final order.

**PLEASE MAKE A REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE HEARING.**

Please list parties, including the agency if it is a Party, and Representation [attorney (or other)] if known, or Agency Contact: (Attach separate list if necessary.)

AGENCY See attached	Address	Telephone Number
Representation	Address	Telephone Number
PARTY	Address	Telephone Number
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Additional Comments  
 Three Public Hearings are tentatively scheduled for this case: 5/2/2011 in Grand Forks, 5/4/2011 in Carrington, and 5/13/2011 in Washburn, ND. All three hearings will begin at 9:00 a.m. When a Notice of Hearing is issued we will forward that to your office.

(For agencies required to use OAH, notice of hearing will be issued by the administrative law judge, unless a procedural administrative law judge is requested. Other requesting agencies and agencies requesting a procedural administrative law judge should first contact OAH about scheduling a hearing. If notice has already been issued, attach a copy of the notice.)

Typed or Printed Name and Title of Requesting Person Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, General Counsel	Date 24 February 2011
Signature of Requesting Person X	Telephone Number 701-328-2407

Attachment  
 Request for ALJ  
 25 February 2011

Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.  
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<b>Representation</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
Lawrence Bender Mollie Smith Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. Attorneys for Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.	P.O. Box 1855 Bismarck, ND 58501-1855	701-221-4020
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