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This letter is in reference to Case No. PU-09670 and the hearings that have been set on May 3, May 4 and May 13, 2011 for Minnkota Power Cooperative's 345 kV transmission line from Center to Grand Forks.

The transmission line would affect approximately five miles of property I own or actively farm, and for this reason I would like to be present at the hearing. Unfortunately, this is a most difficult time of year to get away from the farm. I would like to request that the hearings be moved to the month of June. I know there are others that would be better able to attend the hearings if they were held in June rather than May because of spring field work.

I would also suggest that hearings be held in each county along the proposed route, rather than grouping several counties together at one meeting. I believe this will allow more landowners to attend.

Thank you,



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