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7 December 2011

Mr. Allen C. Hoberg  
Office of Administrative Hearings  
2911 N. 14<sup>th</sup> St.  
Suite 303  
Bismarck, ND 58503

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.

A public hearing is going to be held sometime in late February and once the hearing date is finalized and a Notice of Hearing is issued I will forward it to your office.

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

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

Best regards,

Mark Gruman  
Legal Counsel

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c: w/encl Mollie Smith  
Gerad Paul  
Matthew Sagsveen

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Request for an Administrative Law Judge



**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 a request for modification corridor certificate and waiver of procedures and time schedules as well as an application for route permit

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
Representation	Address	Telephone Number
PARTY	Address	Telephone Number
Representation	Address	Telephone Number

Additional Comments  
 A Notice of Hearing has not been issued yet. We will forward that to your office as soon as it becomes available

(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 Mark Gruman, Legal Counsel	Date 7 December 2011
Signature of Requesting Person 	Telephone Number 701-328-2421

Attachment  
 Request for ALJ  
 7 December 2011

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<b>PARTY</b> Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.	<b>Address</b> P.O. Box 13200 Grand Forks, ND 58208-3200	<b>Telephone Number</b> 701-795-4000
<b>Representation</b> Mollie Smith Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. Attorneys for Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.	<b>Address</b> P.O. Box 1855 Bismarck, ND 58501-1855	<b>Telephone Number</b> 701-221-4020
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