

PUBLIC NOTICE

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Minnkota Power Coop, Inc.
345 kV Transmission Line - Center to
Grand Forks
Siting Application
Case No. PU-09-670
NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF
HEARINGS
January 18, 2011**

On September 7, 2011 the Commission issued Corridor Certificate No. 121 to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. (Minnkota) designating a transmission facility corridor for approximately 260 miles of 345 kV transmission line and associated facilities to be constructed from the Center Substation near Center, North Dakota to the Prairie Substation near Grand Forks, North Dakota.

On December 2, 2011 Minnkota filed applications for a modification to the designated corridor, a waiver of procedures and time schedules, and a transmission facility route to be designated within the modified corridor as shown on the attached map.

Minnkota requests the Commission waive requirements under N.D.C.C. chapter 49-22 that separate hearings be held

concerning the waiver request, the corridor modification and the route permit.

Three separate public hearings will be held with each covering an overview of the project, but focusing on specific portions of the project in the specific areas of each hearing. A Public Hearing on the application will be held:

February 22, 2012, 9:00 a.m. at Memorial Hall, 805 Main Ave. Washburn, ND 58577. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Burleigh, McLean, Oliver and western Sheridan Counties.

February 27, 2012, 9:00 a.m. in the Baker Courtroom at the UND School of Law, 215 Centennial Drive Stop 9003, Grand Forks, ND 58201. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Grand Forks, Nelson and Steele Counties.

March 1, 2012, 9:00 a.m. at the Chieftain Conference Center Tepee Room, 60 4th Ave.S, Carrington, ND 58204. This hearing will focus primarily on portions of the project in Eddy, Foster, Griggs, eastern Sheridan and Wells Counties.

The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and

operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?

2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?

3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

4. Is it appropriate for the Commission to approve a 1,000 foot-wide corridor as requested in the application?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Kevin Cramer, Commissioner
Tony Clark, Chairman
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner

PUBLIC NOTICE

**DAKOTA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIST. NO. 1
Monday, January 09, 2012,
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DAKOTA PRAIRIE HIGH SCHOOL
FACS ROOM**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rod Gilderhus with members Carolyn Kueber, Todd Jorde and Sarah Anderson present. Brian Dinger was absent. Also present were Superintendent Janet Edlund, Principals Cindy Bjornstad and Jared Schlenker and Lori Dahl, Business Manager.

The minutes, bills for payment and financial reports were reviewed.

Motion by Todd Jorde, second by Carolyn Kueber to approve for minutes from the December Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Sarah Anderson, Second by Todd Jorde to approve the financial reports as presented and the bills for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

Mrs. Bjornstad reported on: Cultural Awareness Week next week at the elementary school, Lifetouch will be in to take photos on February 1st. and the administrators conference

Mr. Schlenker reported on: Student Council retreat, it was a good day very good discussion, many good ideas. Transportation-good weather makes for a good bus year so far. The bus that we

were going to trade in is worth more than \$500 to the wrecking yard. Harlows is fine with this, we just need to send them the \$500.

Mrs. Edlund's items for discussion: The negotiations seminar in February is being sponsored by the School Board's Association. Mrs. Edlund will not be attending this year as we do not negotiate until next year. There were no board members interested in attending this year, possibly next year.

The board reviewed the pledge of securities at this time.

Mrs. Edlund did send a letter to Dave Blaze and Aaron Mork to discuss the use of their building for the Technology Program. The board also had the conversation of setting up future board meetings with light agenda's via conference call. The only requirement we have is that the posted agenda state that the meeting is by conference call and that the speaker in the room is loud enough for visitors to hear.

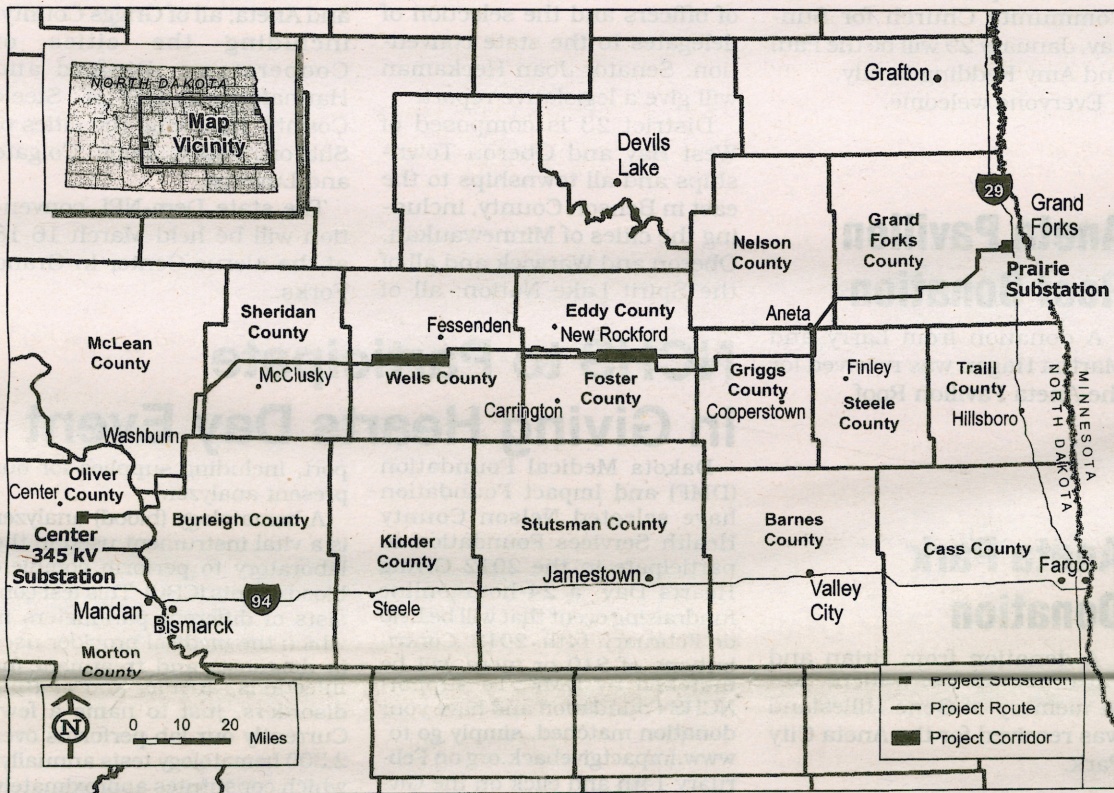
The next board meeting was set for Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Sarah Anderson to adjourn.

Chairperson

Business Manager

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**N.D. Job Shadow Week
Slated for January 30**

Event brings attention to the wide variety of careers in North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. - North Dakota Commerce Commissioner Al Anderson announced today that North Dakota Job Shadow Week will be held January 30 - February 3 to coincide with National Job Shadow Day February 2.

"Job Shadow Week is an opportunity for us to bring attention to the wide variety of careers that can be found in North Dakota communities of all sizes," Anderson said. "Job shadowing introduces students to possible career opportunities that exist in the state."

Students are encouraged to job shadow in any business in North Dakota including any of North Dakota's targeted industries: energy, advanced manufacturing, value-added agriculture, tourism, or technology-based businesses.

"Businesses can learn about the benefits of opening their doors to our youth - their future employees and customers," Anderson said. "This helps build career connections between young educated North Dakotans who are looking for good careers and businesses looking for future workforce solutions. It's a win-win situation."

The North Dakota Department of Commerce works to improve the quality of life for North Dakota citizens by leading efforts to attract, retain and expand wealth. Commerce serves businesses and communities statewide through committed people and partners who offer valuable programs and dynamic services. www.NDCommerce.com

**Largest Coin Show
in Upper Midwest
Jan. 28 and 29**

The 52nd annual Red River Valley Coin Show, the largest coin and stamp show between Minneapolis and Seattle, will be held Jan. 28-29, 2011 at the Doublewood Inn, Fargo.

The show will have over 50 bourse tables that include US and foreign coins and currency, US stamps and other numismatic materials. Dealers from six states will be in attendance. Persons interested in submitting displays for judging should call Mark at (701) 297-0321.

Admission is free. Show hours are Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Doublewood Inn is located at 3333 13th Ave. South in Fargo.

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**Grinnell Mutual
to award 50
Road to Success
Scholarships**

Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company, through its independent agency force, will award 50 Road to Success Scholarships of \$1,000 each to high school seniors throughout its Midwest writing territory, including Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Wisconsin, in the spring of 2012. Since the program's inception six years ago, Grinnell Mutual and its agents have provided college-bound students with nearly \$300,000 in scholarships.

"The Road to Success Scholarship is a great way for Grinnell Mutual agents to reward their student drivers. Like our agents, we believe in giving back to the community. Together we encourage good grades and good driving," said Barb Baker, manager of advertising and community relations at Grinnell Mutual. "Any Grinnell Mutual auto policyholder who is a senior in high school may qualify for a scholarship if he or she maintains a 3.0 GPA and has a clean driving record."

Scholarship winners will be chosen at random from eligible applicants. To learn more and to apply, pick up an application from a local Grinnell Mutual agent or download it at www.grinnellmutual.com. All applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2012, to be eligible.

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**District 23 Republican Party to Hold
Reorganization Meeting
& Endorsing Convention
February 18, 2012
Coachman Inn, 504 9th Street SW,
Cooperstown, ND**

Reorganization at 10:00 am immediately followed by endorsing convention and lunch.

For the purpose of electing precinct and district officers, selecting delegates to the ND State Republican Convention to be held March 30 through April 1, 2012 in Bismarck, ND, and other business deemed necessary.

Lauri Olson - District 23 Chairman
701-789-0414