

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Otter Tail Power Company  
Advance Determination of Prudence - CapX2020 Group 1  
Application**

**Case No. PU-09-676**

**Northern States Power Company  
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**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION**

**April 28, 2010**

On April 15, 2010, the Midwest Independent System Operator (Midwest ISO) filed a Petition to Intervene in the captioned proceedings.

The Midwest ISO received a written communication from the North Dakota Public Service Commission Advisory Staff requesting that the Midwest ISO participate by providing certain, critical technical and informational assistance that is primarily within the control of the Midwest ISO or its internal experts. Midwest ISO states that it has a direct and substantial interest in the matters and issues presented in these proceedings and that the Midwest ISO will provide the Commission, and other parties, valuable and useful information related to the issues and shall do so in an independent and impartial manner.

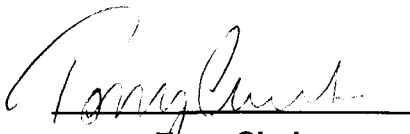
The Commission finds that the Midwest ISO has an interest in this matter and will not unduly broaden the issues or delay the proceedings.

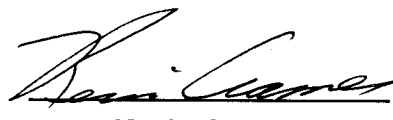
**Order**

The Commission orders:

1. The Petition to Intervene of the Midwest Independent System Operator is GRANTED.
2. Admission as an intervenor shall not be construed as recognition by the Commission that an intervenor might be aggrieved by an order of the Commission in this case.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
**Tony Clark  
Commissioner**

  
**Kevin Cramer  
Chairman**

  
**Brian P. Kalk  
Commissioner**