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Case No. PU-09-731

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Case No. PU-10-30

NOTICE OF HEARINGS

March 10, 2010

On August 27, 2008, the Commission adopted an order approving the requests of Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) (Case No. PU-06-481) and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s (Montana-Dakota) (Case No. PU-06-482) for an advance determination of prudence for their ownership in the proposed Big Stone II Generating Station. On December 2, 2009, Montana-Dakota filed an application for a determination that Montana-Dakota's continued participation in the Big Stone II Generating Station is no longer prudent. Case No. PU-09-731. On December 4, 2009, Montana-Dakota filed an application for authority for deferred accounting for costs related to Montana-Dakota's efforts in securing new electric generation, primarily the Big Stone II Generating Station, until disposition of its next general electric rate increase. Case No. PU-09-733. On December 14, 2009, Otter Tail filed an application for authority to use deferred accounting until its next rate case for costs incurred during its participation in the Big Stone II project. Case No. PU-09-739. On January 19, 2010, Otter Tail filed an application for determination that continuation of the Big Stone II Project is no longer prudent. Case No. PU-10-30. Public hearings on the two Otter Tail cases, Case No. PU-10-30 and Case No. PU-09-739, will be consolidated and will be held beginning May 5, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. CDT in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota, 58505. The issue to be considered in Case No. PU-10-30 is whether Otter Tail's continued participation in the Big Stone II Generating Station is no longer prudent. The issue to be considered in Case No. PU-09-739 is whether authorization for deferred accounting of costs incurred during participation in the Big Stone II project is in the public interest. Public hearings on the two MDU cases, Case No. PU-09-731 and Case No. PU-09-733 will be consolidated and will be held beginning May 5, 2010 at the conclusion of the hearings on the Otter Tail cases or at 1:30 p.m. CDT, whichever is later, in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota, 58505. The issue to be considered in Case No. PU-09-731 is whether Montana-Dakota's continued participation in the Big Stone II Generating Station is no longer prudent. The issue to be considered in Case No. PU-09-733 is whether authorization for deferred accounting of costs related to efforts in securing new electric generation, including participation in the Big Stone II project, is in the public interest. You can listen to a broadcast of the hear-

ing via a link on the Commission's website at <http://www.psc.state.nd.us/psc/media/comm-live.html>. 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 at least 24 hours in advance.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Tony Clark, Commissioner
Kevin Cramer, Chairman
Brian P. Kalk, Commissioner
(March 22, 2010)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR
BIDS

Sealed Bids for Roosevelt Park Zoo, Entrance/Office Building will be accepted by the Minot Park District, Minot, North Dakota until: 3:00 PM, Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at the Minot Municipal Courtroom at 420 3rd Ave SW, Minot, ND

All properly submitted bids will be opened and read aloud. All bids received after the scheduled opening time will be returned to the bidders unopened. All bids shall be in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications as prepared by:

Anderson Wade & Whitty PC
720 Western Avenue
Minot, North Dakota 58701
Telephone: 701-852-4850
FAX: 701-852-4877
E-mail: awwarchitects

The project will be constructed under a "Single Prime" or "Multiple Prime" contracts.

Bidders may submit the following bids for the project:

Prime Contract: Including Civil, General, Mechanical, Electrical

and/or the following individual "Prime Contracts":

General Construction Contract (including Civil Work)
Mechanical Construction Contract
Electrical Construction Contract

The Contract Documents will be on file and may be examined at the Office of Anderson Wade & Whitty PC, Architects, Minot, North Dakota and the following Builders Exchanges: Minot, Fargo, Grand Forks, Bismarck-Mandan and Construction Plans Exchange, North Dakota; St. Paul, Minneapolis, Construction Market Data and Dodge-SCAN, Minnesota; Construction Industry Center, and Sioux Falls Builders Exchange, South Dakota.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained by the Bidders at the office of Anderson Wade & Whitty PC, 720 Western Avenue, Minot, ND, upon receipt of \$100.00 refundable deposit per set. All unsuccessful bidders shall return the Plans and Specifications within 10 days after the Bid Date. Any unsuccessful bidder, upon returning each set promptly will be refunded his deposit. Partial sets may be obtained at a cost of \$5.00 per drawing sheet and \$.20 per specification page; such payment is non-refundable.

Each bid (in duplicate) must be accompanied by a separate envelope, (attached to the bid envelope) containing a Bid Bond equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid naming the Minot Public Schools as Oblige. The Contractor shall also enclose within the Bid Bond envelope a copy of the Bidder's North Dakota contractor's License or a copy of their latest Renewal certificate issued by the Secretary of State as per North Dakota Century Code 43-07-12. All Contractors who submit Bids must hold a North Dakota Contractors License in the highest amount

of their Bids and such license must have been in effect at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the Bid opening. Any Bid not containing these documents shall not be acceptable and shall be returned to the Bidder unopened.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bidding.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond, Performance Bond, Insurance coverage and other requirements stipulated in the Specifications.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days of the actual date of the opening.

Roosevelt Park Zoo
Minot, North Dakota
(March 8-15-22, 2010)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Probate No. 51-10-P-00051
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF WARD COUNTY, STATE
OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate
of Burnett B. Belcher, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be presented to Gwendolyn Frierson, personal representative of the estate, at 7375 Portwood Road, Azle, Texas, 76020, or filed with the Court. Dated this 1st day of

March, 2010.
s/Gwendolyn Frierson
Gwendolyn Frierson, Personal Representative
Ashley E. Beall (ID#06589)
MAXSON LAW OFFICE, P.C.
Town & Country Center
1015 South Broadway-Suite 15
Minot, ND 58701
Attorneys for Personal Representative
(March 8-15-22, 2010)

INVITATION NO: IFB 10-06
MECHANICAL
CONSTRUCTION
IFB 10-07 ELECTRICAL
CONSTRUCTION
INVITATION TO BID
BOILER REPLACEMENT
Armed Forces
Reserve Center
Minot, North Dakota

Sealed bids for a Boiler Replacement at the Armed Forces Reserve Center in Minot, North Dakota, will be received by the Adjutant General of the State of North Dakota at Fraine Barracks, Building 030, Bismarck, North Dakota, at 2:00 PM, April 8, 2010, and will be opened and publicly read that date and hour in the space designated. All bids received after the scheduled opening time will be returned to the bidders unopened.

Bidders may submit separate bids only for Mechanical construction work (IFB 10-06) and/or Electrical construction work (IFB 10-07). No other types of bids for other portions of the project or other combinations of the separate bids will be accepted.

IMPORTANT: Davis-Bacon Wage Rates will apply on this project.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the bid opening and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the National Guard ADA Coordinator at 701-333-2069 by April 1, 2010.

Contractors desiring to submit a bid may obtain a copy of the contract documents at the office of the Owner. No deposit for the contract documents will be required, but