

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a  
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.  
Discontinue Prudence Big Stone II  
Application**

**Case No. PU-09-731**

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**Case No. PU-10-30**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL, REGULAR MAIL, AND HAND  
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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**John Hamre** deposes and says that:

he is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **26th** day of **March, 2010**, he deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **four** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing one photocopy of each of the following:

**Order Granting Intervention** (North Dakota Large Industrial Group, PU-10-30)

**Order Granting Intervention** (North Dakota Large Industrial Group, PU-09-739)

**Order Granting Intervention** (Dakota Resource Council, Mark Trechock, PU-09-731,  
PU-09-733, PU-09-739, PU-10-30)

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The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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**John Hamre** further deposes and says that on the **26th** day of **March, 2010**, he deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **five** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing one photocopy of the same.

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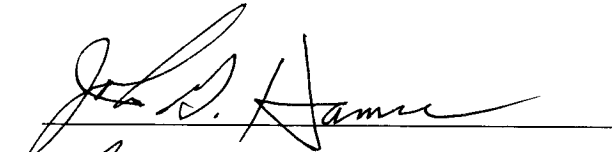
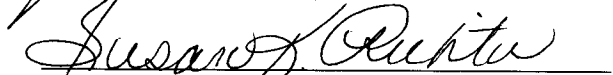
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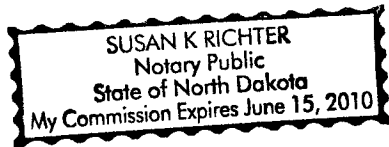
**John Hamre** further deposes and says that on the **26<sup>th</sup>** day of **March, 2010**, he hand delivered one photocopy of each of the same to:

Annette Bendish  
Legal Counsel  
Public Service Commission  
Attorney for Advocacy Staff

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **26<sup>th</sup>** day of **March, 2010**.

  
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Notary Public

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**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
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**Otter Tail Power Company  
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**Case No. PU-10-30**

**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION**

**March 24, 2010**

On March 18, 2010, Goodrich Corporation, Cargill Corporation, Cavendish Farms, Inc., Archer Daniels Midland Company, ComDel Innovation, Tharaldson Ethanol LLC, Bobcat Company and PrimeWood, Inc. (North Dakota Large Industrial Group) filed a Petition to Intervene in the captioned proceeding.

The petition states that members of the North Dakota Large Industrial Group are ratepayers of Otter Tail Corporation that may be adversely affected by the proposed increase in rates and have a substantial interest in this proceeding. The petition states the North Dakota Large Industrial Group may present evidence on rate of return, cost of equity, expenses, and the method of recovery.

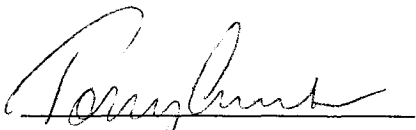
The Commission finds that each member of the North Dakota Large Industrial Group has an interest in this matter and each member's participation will not unduly broaden the issues or delay the proceeding.

**Order**


The Commission orders:

1. The Petition to Intervene of Goodrich Corporation, Cargill Corporation, Cavendish Farms, Inc., Archer Daniels Midland Company, ComDel Innovation, Tharaldson Ethanol LLC, Bobcat Company and PrimeWood, Inc. 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.

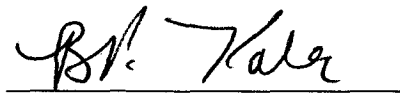
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**Tony Clark  
Commissioner**



**Kevin Cramer  
Chairman**



**Brian P. Kalk  
Commissioner**

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**Otter Tail Power Company  
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**Case No. PU-09-739**

**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION**

**March 24, 2010**

On March 12, 2010, Goodrich Corporation, Cargill Corporation, Cavendish Farms, Inc., Archer Daniels Midland Company, ComDel Innovation, Tharaldson Ethanol LLC, Bobcat Company and PrimeWood, Inc. (North Dakota Large Industrial Group) filed a Petition to Intervene in the captioned proceeding.

The petition states that members of the North Dakota Large Industrial Group are ratepayers of Otter Tail Corporation that may be adversely affected by the proposed increase in rates and have a substantial interest in this proceeding. The petition states the North Dakota Large Industrial Group may present evidence on rate of return, cost of equity, expenses, and adjustments to cost of service and rate design.

The Commission finds that each member of the North Dakota Large Industrial Group has an interest in this matter and each member's participation will not unduly broaden the issues or delay the proceeding.

**Order**

The Commission orders:

1. The Petition to Intervene of Goodrich Corporation, Cargill Corporation, Cavendish Farms, Inc., Archer Daniels Midland Company, ComDel Innovation, Tharaldson Ethanol LLC, Bobcat Company and PrimeWood, Inc. 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.

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**March 24, 2010**

On March 19, 2010, Dakota Resource Council and Mark Trechock filed a Petition to Intervene in the captioned proceedings.

The petition states that Dakota Resource Council (DRC) is a North Dakota nonprofit corporation formed in 1978 to protect North Dakota's land, air, water, rural communities, and agricultural economy, and Mark Trechock is a ratepayer in North Dakota and DRC's Staff Director.

DRC and Mark Trechock are intervenors in the underlying Big Stone II prudency proceedings, Case No. PU-06-481 and Case No. PU-06-482, and have voluntarily stayed their appeal of these two underlying prudency cases pending the outcome of the instant proceedings.

The petition states that the instant proceedings directly relate to the underlying prudency determinations in which DRC and Mark Trechock retain a vested interest. It further states that DRC and Mark Trechock have a direct and substantial interest in the captioned proceedings which will be affected by the Commission's decisions. The petition states that DRC and Mark Trechock are not adequately represented by existing parties, that they have a right to intervene, and that their intervention is in the public interest.

DRC and Mark Trechock request the right to intervene in support of the applications of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Otter Tail Power Company for a determination that discontinuation of the Big Stone II project is prudent, and in opposition to the right of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Otter Tail Power Company to recover costs only to the extent such costs are not supported by evidence or are contrary to law.

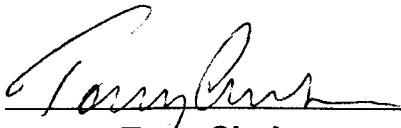
The Commission finds that Dakota Resource Council and Mark Trechock have an interest in these proceedings and their participation will not unduly broaden the issues or delay the proceeding.

**Order**

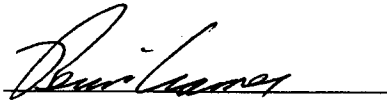
The Commission orders:

1. The Petition to Intervene of Dakota Resource Council and Mark Trechock 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.

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