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Subject: RE: Big Stone II work session question

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I apologize for the delay in our response. Advocacy staff believes the settlement agreement as filed is a fair and reasonable solution given the legal parameters of the ADP law. However, we do not oppose the applicants' consideration of the commission's request.

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At the its work session today, the Commission expressed concern about the inclusion in the Settlement Agreements of a monthly carrying charge on the North Dakota share of Big Stone II Generation Costs from the date on which the companies ceased accumulating an allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) on the construction work in progress (CWIP) balance up until the recovery of costs commences. Otter Tail Power Company ceased accumulating AFUDC on September 1, 2009 and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. ceased accumulating AFUDC on November 2, 2009.

The Commission asked advisory staff to contact the parties for their positions on the Settlement Agreements if the Commission adopted the settlements, **but excluded** a monthly carrying charge on the North Dakota share of Big Stone II Generation Costs.

Please respond by Friday, May 28, 2010. Thank you.

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