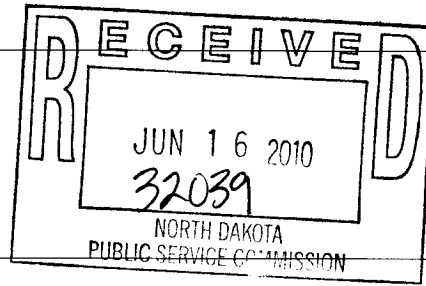


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June 14, 2010

FROM DIRECTOR - RECLAMATION DIV.

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Mr. James R. Deutsch  
Reclamation Director  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Bond Release No. 3 – Permit CCGH-8003

Dear Mr. Deutsch:

Enclosed are 4 copies of changes that relate to proceeding with the Public Notice. This correspondence addresses PSC comments 1, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of March 22, 2010. It also revises the application, bond calculations and the Addendums to the Final Bond Release Application. Finally, Attachments III and IV relating to the Public Notice, were revised.

Publication in the Center Republican and letters notifying Surface Landowners, Adjacent Landowners, Local or State Agencies or Governmental Entities will be sent out following your approval of the changes made.

If you have questions, please contact me at the following address.

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3901 Hwy 200 A  
Stanton, North Dakota 58571-9417

Phone no: 701-745-7242  
Email: dnilson@bepc.com

Sincerely,

David J. Nilson  
Reclamation Administrator

Attachment

cc: Permit CCGH-8003  
Mike Murray

**Response to PSC Deficiencies  
Relating to the Public Notice  
Dated: March 22, 2010**

**PSC Items** that relate to changes in the Public Notice.

**General:**

1. The bond release application, public notice, notice letters, binder labels, maps and much of the narrative incorrectly refer to the permit as Permit BCGH-8003 or BCGH-8803. The correct permit number is Permit CCGH-8003. The bond release application, public notice, notice letters, and binder labels must be revised to provide the correct permit number (CCGH-8003). Other maps and narratives should be updated if other changes are being made to that section. (GAW, BEB, WTG)

**Response:** Changes were made to the application, public notices and notice letters for the purpose of proceeding with the Public Notice. Changes will be made to binder labels as well as the narrative and all Attachments and other areas where needed.

5. Please revise the public advertisement to indicate that a county road has been reconstructed along the south side of Tract 2 and through Tract 4. (GAW)

**Response:** This has been added to the public notices (Attachments III and IV).

7. Six different people are listed as surface owners of the adjacent area in the SW¼ of Section 3, T143N, R84W in the permit (last updated with Rev.17), but only one of these individuals (Louise Vernon) is included on the adjacent land ownership notification list provided with the bond release application and was notified of the bond release application. Please review and correct if necessary. (SAS)

**Response:** The heirs of Louise Vernon were added to the Adjacent Landowner List. Notifications to Surface Owners, Adjacent Landowners, and State and Federal Agencies will be sent out following your approval of the Public Notice changes.

8. Please review the adjacent land ownership listed in Attachment IV for consistency with what is shown on Attachment I (map) and what is listed in the permit for the S½ of Section 10 and Section 15, and make any necessary corrections to the bond release application. The permit and Attachment I show consistent land ownership in Sections 10 and 15, but ownership listed in Attachment IV of the bond release application differs in the following parcels (permit and Attachment I versus Attachment IV): the SW¼ of the SE¼ of Section 10 (Anthony Berger versus B.C.S.); the N½ of the SE¼ of Section 10 (Anthony Berger versus B.C.S.); the NE¼ of Section 15 (Anthony Berger versus B.C.S.); the N½ of the SE¼ of Section 15 (Anthony Berger versus B.C.S.); and, the SW¼ of Section 15 (Anthony Berger versus B.C.S.). (WTG/SAS/GAW)

**Response:** Portions of the SW4 of Section 10 and the NW4 of Section 15 that is located east of the Permit Boundary were sold to Anthony Berger. He will be notified as an Adjacent Landowner. Ownership in the SE4 of Section 10 and the SW4 of Section 15 is not pertinent as it is not located adjacent to the Permit Boundary and was deleted from the Adjacent Landowner List. All adjacent landowners of record will be notified.

9. The ND Forest Service person to be notified should be Larry Kotchman rather than Tom Berg. Please change accordingly. (SAS)

**Response:** This change was made.

10. Because of the proximity of the City of Stanton, the Mayor of Stanton should also be notified of the pending bond release. (SAS)

**Response:** The Mayor of Stanton was added.