

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Public Service Commission
Decommissioning
Rulemaking**

Case No. PU-10-159

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STAFF TESTIMONY

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I am Jerry Lein, Public Utilities Analyst with the Public Service Commission.

The proposed rule implements the requirement in 2009 House Bill 1449 (N.D.C.C. § 49-02-27) that the commission's wind farm decommissioning rules address present and future natural resource development.

The proposed rule amends N.D. Admin. Code section 69-09-09-06 to require developers to describe any expected effect on present and future natural resource development in the decommissioning plan required under that section.

A Statement on Regulatory Analysis, Takings Assessment, and Small Entity Regulatory Analysis was prepared and filed on June 2, 2010, for this Decommissioning rulemaking proceeding.

The Commission has not received any written comments concerning this proceeding.

This concludes my testimony. I would be happy to answer any questions at this time.