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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

This is in regard to your February 24, 2011, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Montana Dakota Utilities Siting Application (PU-10-164). Originally, I designated myself to be the administrative law judge in this matter. Due to caseload considerations, I hereby re-designate Al. Wahl to be assigned as an administrative law judge to conduct the hearing in regard to this matter. Because the administrative law judge will not be making recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or issuing a recommended order, the person or persons who will be making the final administrative decision in regard to this matter (*i.e.*, the commission) must be in attendance at the hearing.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated administrative law judge at 138 East Edmonton Drive, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503. I understand the hearing is scheduled for April 15, 2011, beginning at 1:00 p.m., at the Dickey County Courthouse in Ellendale, North Dakota. Because the administrative law judge is requested to conduct the hearing only, the agency must give proper notice of the hearing.

Sincerely,

Allen C. Hoberg  
Director

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cc: Mitchell Armstrong, Counsel for PSC  
Daniel S. Kuntz, Counsel for MDU

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**Letter designating Allen Hoberg as Administrative  
Law Judge**

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