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September 2, 2010



Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary/Director of Administration
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol - 600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

**Re: Otter Tail Power Company/McLean Electric Coop
Garrison Area – Service Area Agreement
Case No. PU-10-334**

**Otter Tail Power Company
Garrison Area – Service Area Agreement
Case No. PU-10-417**

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed please find Otter Tail Power Company's ("Otter Tail's") Affidavit in the above-referenced matter. The original and seven copies are being sent by First Class Mail.

Please refer all inquiries regarding this filing to Bruce Gerhardson at (218) 998-7108 or at bgerhardson@otpco.com.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Bruce Gerhardson
Bruce Gerhardson
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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL

The undersigned, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- A. He is aware of the terms and conditions of the agreement under consideration in the above-captioned docket.
- B. He has participated in the approval of similar agreements approved by the North Dakota Public Service Commission
- C. Based upon a review of the agreement, the terms and conditions of which are hereby identical to previously approved agreements, the Agreement is in the public interest by, among other matters:
 - 1. Creating the certainty necessary for both applicants to plan and operate efficiently within the service territory granted to them;
 - 2. Establishing service areas which will avoid unreasonable duplication of electric facilities;
 - 3. Mandating that both parties provide electric service consistent with applicable standards specified therein, so as to best assure adequate and reliable electric service to customers; and
 - 4. Establishing agreements which will help avoid territorial disputes between the parties regarding their service in and around the City of Garrison.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Dated: September 2, 2010



Bruce Gerhardson
Associate General Counsel
Otter Tail Power Company
215 South Cascade Street
Fergus Falls, MN 56537

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
2nd day of September 2010.



Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

