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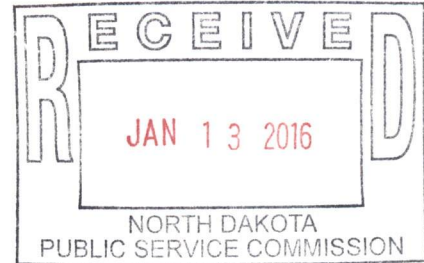
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Mr. Jerry Lein  
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**RE: Minnesota Power's Bison 2 Wind Project  
Post-Construction Inspection Information Request  
Case No. PU-11-57**

Mr. Lein,

This letter is written in response to the North Dakota Public Service Commission's (PSC) information request in regards to site restoration activities associated with Minnesota Power's Bison 2 Wind Project (Bison 2). The PSC's post-construction inspection was performed by Wenck Associates, Inc. (Wenck) on November 7, 2012 and the associated Post-Construction Inspection Report (Report) was filed with the PSC on January 15, 2013.

During Wenck's post-construction inspection, site restoration work was on-going at the project site. This included two areas (a temporary crane path and a laydown area) that were identified in Wenck's Report. Minnesota Power completed all site restoration activities associated with Bison 2 by November 30, 2012. Some areas were restored after Wenck's post-construction inspection. This included (but was not limited to) laydown areas and temporary crane paths.

The Bison 2 project area achieved final stabilization in 2013 and the Project's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit, Notice of Termination was filed.

Please contact me if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

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