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MEMORANDUM

To: Commissioner Randy Christmann
Commissioner Julie Fedorchak
Commissioner Brian Kroshus

From: Sara Cardwell, Public Utility Analyst

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Subject: PU-11-066 Bear Paw Energy, LLC, Garden Creek to Riverview NGL Pipeline,
McKenzie
Partial Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan

Date: April 6, 2017

On April 4, 2017, ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, L.L.C., (which now owns Bear Paw Energy) filed a partial tree and shrub mitigation plan in compliance with the Commission's Order and the Certification Relating to Order Provisions, Transmission Facility Siting with accompanying Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications that the Company signed for this project.

The Company removed 140 trees and shrubs during construction. As a result, the Company plans to plant 360 trees and shrubs this year. The replacement species for the 2017 spring planting were determined by the McKenzie Soil Conservation District. The replacement species are considered suitable to North Dakota growing conditions and are commonly recommended for planting in this county.

In 2018, the Company plans to plant an addition 100 trees and shrubs. The species for this planting have not been identified yet. The Company will work with the landowners and the McKenzie County Soil Conservation District in regards to the 2018 plantings.

At this time, a motion to approve the Company's 2017 planting will be on the agenda for your consideration at the April 13, 2017 Commission meeting. The Company will file additional information for the 2018 planting at a later date which will reviewed for compliance at that time.