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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
General Counsel  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
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Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Thank you for your August 16, 2011, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, PU 11-102. I hereby designate myself, Allen C. Hoberg, to be assigned as administrative law judge to conduct the hearing, make recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, and issue a recommended order in regard to this matter.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated administrative law judge at 2911 North 14th Street - Suite 303, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503. The administrative law judge will schedule the proceedings required for this matter and give notice as required by law.

**Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20110326. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.**

Sincerely,

Allen C. Hoberg  
Director

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cc: John W. Morrison