

...between Myanmar and the Inter-
national Monetary Fund that could
...the approval of much-needed
...and support for the poorest
...in the region.
...o, the U.S. would support inten-
...U.N. health and microfinance
...ams and resume bilateral coun-
...otics efforts.
...ose steps could be followed
...h upgrade in diplomatic rela-
...between the U.S. and Myanmar,
...on said, although U.S. offi-
...stressed that concrete action on

He asked for U.S. help in making
the transition from military to full
civilian rule, according to the official,
who spoke on condition of anonym-
ity to describe the private diplomatic
exchange.
Clinton's trip is both a mark of
approval, and a prod to further
reform.
The U.S. is "encouraged by the steps
that you and your government have
taken to provide for your people," she
said, but those steps must be consoli-
dated and enlarged.

the year with a compromise
on key elements of Presi-
dent Barack Obama's jobs
program.
Republican officials say
the cost of the extension
of both programs will be
covered within the measure,
making sure deficits don't
rise as a result.
The officials who spoke
did so on condition of ano-
nymity to provide details
in advance of a formal

jobless benefits in bad times.
The latest cycle of additional
benefits began in 2008, the
last year of George W. Bush's
administration.
Letting extended jobless
assistance expire would
mean that more than 6
million people would lose
benefits averaging \$296 a
week next year, with 1.8
million cut off within a
month.

Biological study flawed due to politics

...covering the
...au in Colora-
...ona and New
...er of the rapid
...assessment
...Ford, said at
...that livestock
...contentious,
...s were con-
...tigation, and
...grazing could
...future region-
...according to
...plaint.

Tom Edwards, a U.S. Geo-
logical Survey ecologist and
peer reviewer for the assess-
ment, was quoted as saying
in the meeting minutes
obtained by PEER.
Later, the BLM decided
that any analysis of data on
livestock grazing would be
incorporated into data on
grazing by other animals,
such as antelope and wild
horses.

The BLM ultimately has
given relatively low-impact
activities, such as rock
hounding, more weight in
its assessments than grazing,
he said.
The six assessments cover
portions of a dozen states:
Montana, the Dakotas,
Nebraska, Wyoming, Idaho,
Nevada, Utah, Colorado,
California, Arizona and

New Mexico.
This is the second com-
plaint PEER has filed this
year under the Interior
Department's new scientific
integrity rules.
A previous complaint
focused on the suspension
of a wildlife biologist who
studies polar bears.

...participants
...d how much
...uld be put on
...pant said the
...be "laughed
...m" if it didn't
...g.
...ve the other
...urbances, you
...ude grazing,"

"BLM not only decided
they weren't going to look
at grazing as a change
agent even though there's a
massive amount of grazing
going on those public lands,
but even went further and
said grazing information
could only be reported in
an undistinguished lump
where you had to put all
ungulates together," Ruch
said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Otter Tail Power Company
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
Rates
Case No. PU-11-153
Otter Tail Power Company
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
Tariff

Case No. PU-11-682
NOTICE OF FILING, NOTICE OF
HEARING, AND NOTICE OF
INTERVENTION DEADLINE
November 23, 2011
On May 12, 2011 and November 3,
2011, Otter Tail Power Company
(Otter Tail) filed for approval to imple-
ment a transmission cost recovery
rider pursuant to North Dakota
Century Code Section 49-05-04.3.
Otter Tail proposes to recover
Midwest Independent System
Operator (MISO) Schedule 26 trans-
mission related costs net of revenues
allocated to North Dakota retail cus-
tomers and the North Dakota retail
share of revenue requirements for
transmission facilities not currently
included in base rates. The applica-
tion includes an initial rate adjustment
amount to be included as part of the
Energy and Renewable Adjustment
line on customers' bills:

Customer Class	Amount per kWh	
	General	Service
Large		
Controlled		Service
Lighting Service		\$0.00154
All Other		Service
		\$0.00272

The issues to be considered in these proceedings are whether the proposed transmission cost recovery rider and rate adjustments comply with section 49-05-04.3 and should be approved.

Anyone wishing to become a party to this proceeding must file a Petition to Intervene by January 14, 2012.

A Formal Hearing of this matter is scheduled to begin on January 24, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. CST in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th floor of the State Capitol.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify, Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary, 24 hours in advance.

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(December 2, 2011)

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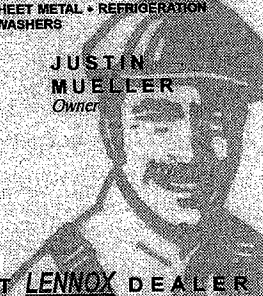
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Barnes County Soil Committee
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