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Please have the attached Notice of Filing and Notice of Hearing with Map published two times as a legal publication in the following newspapers with the first publication in the next issue of the following newspapers:

Glen Ullin Times  
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Center Republican

And the second publication after September 3 and before September 13 in the following papers:

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The map must be published as is. Please publish the map in the size of two or three columns wide. If you cannot publish the map as requested, please let me know as soon as possible.

Do not publish in the classifieds. Please run it as a "News Item Only" article as well.

Send the bill to the Public Service Commission along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.

Please confirm via email that you received this request.

If you have any questions or cannot open the files, please call me at 328-4076 or email.

Thank You

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**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**ALLETE, Inc.  
Bison 3 Wind Project – Oliver / Morton Counties  
Siting Application**

**Case No. PU-11-162**

**NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARING**

**August 10, 2011**

On July 7, 2011, Minnesota Power, an operating division of ALLETE, Inc., (Allete) filed an application for a certificate of site compatibility to authorize construction of a 105 MW Bison 3 Wind Project consisting of 35 wind turbine generators and associated facilities in Morton and Oliver Counties, North Dakota, as shown on the attached map.

A **Public Hearing** on the application is scheduled to begin **September 15, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. CDT, at the Oliver County Courthouse, 11 West Main, Center, North Dakota 58530.** The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

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 the Commission.

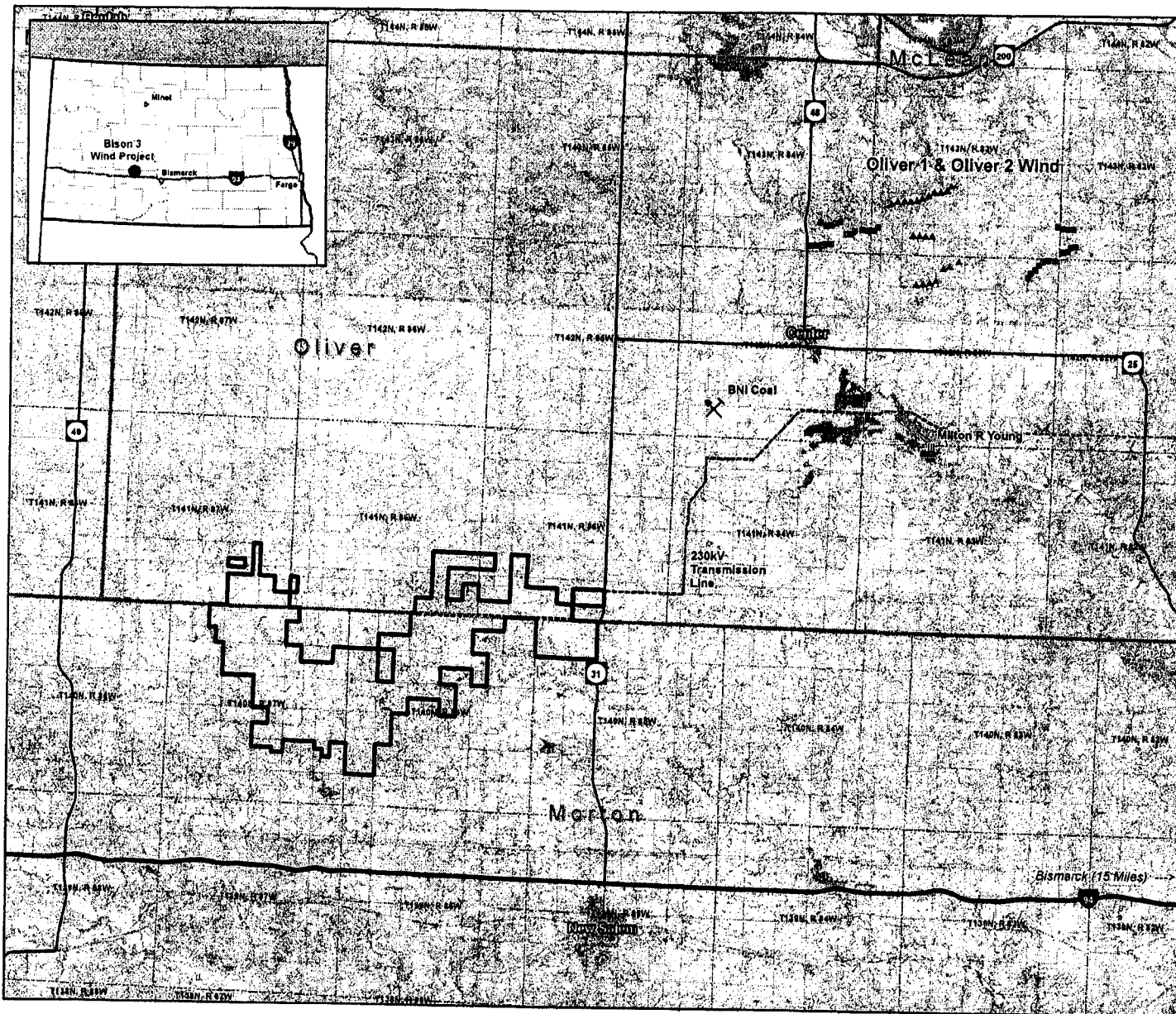
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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- ▲ Oliver 1 Wind Project Turbine Location
- Oliver 2 Wind Project Turbine Location
- ✕ BNI Coal Mine
- ⚡ Milton R. Young Generation Station
- ⚡ 230kV Transmission Line
- ⚡ DC Transmission Line
- ⚡ Interstate Highway
- ⚡ State Highway
- ⬢ Preliminary Bison 3 Project Boundary
- ⊕ Municipality
- County Boundary

Data Sources:  
 Project Boundary - Minnesota Power  
 Utilities - Minnesota Power  
 Roads, Administrative Boundaries - ND DOT  
 Topo Map - USGS DRG

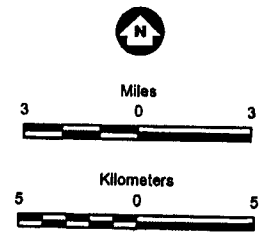


Exhibit 1  
**PROJECT OVERVIEW MAP**  
 Bison 3 Wind Project  
 Minnesota Power  
 Morton & Oliver Counties, North Dakota