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The Honorable Al Wahl
Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings
138 East Edmonton
Drive, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503

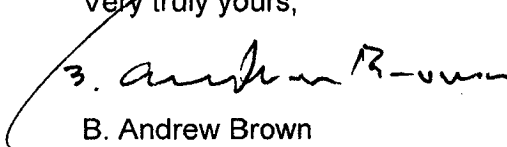
Re: Montana Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. and Otter Tail Power Company, Application for An Advance Determination of Prudence, Big Stone Air Quality Control System Project, Docket Nos. PU-11-163, PU-11-163 OAH File No. 20110276.

Dear Judge Wahl and Commission:

Enclosed please find the Witness Disclosure Statement of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Otter Tail Power Company in the above-referenced docket. Enclosed please also find the Motion and Affidavit of B. Andrew Brown for *pro hac vice* admission to represent the above-named parties in this proceedings.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


B. Andrew Brown

Enclosures

cc: Mark Bring, Otter Tail Power Company, by email
Daniel S. Kuntz, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., by email
Tamie A. Aberle, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., by email

3. Mark A. Rolfes, P.E., Otter Tail Power Company, 215 South Cascade Street, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56538-0496. Mr. Rolfes is the Manager, Generation Development for Otter Tail. Mr. Rolfes is the acting project manager for the AQCS project, with overall responsibility for project development and the construction and implementation of the project. Mr. Rolfes' testimony will describe the AQCS project, provide an overview of the cost and technology that will be used, explain the implementation schedule for the project, and discuss the reasons why the project costs are reasonable. Mr. Rolfes is sponsoring Otter Tail's Application for an Advance Determination of Prudence document, Joint Exhibit 1 – The Big Stone Air Quality Control System Project, Joint Exhibit 2 – Reasonableness of Big Stone AQCS Project, Joint Exhibit 3 – Assessment of Financial and Operational Impacts of Pending Environmental Regulations to the Big Stone Plant, and Attachments 4-9 to the Applications of Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota. Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota reserve the right to call additional witnesses from the engineering firm of Sargent & Lundy L.L.C. to support Attachments 4, 5, 7, and 8 and from Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company to support Attachment 9, if necessary.

4. Darcy J. Neigum, Montana-Dakota Utilities, Co., 400 North 4th Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501. Mr. Neigum is the Electric System Operations and Planning Manager for Montana-Dakota. Mr. Neigum will testify regarding the role of the Big Stone Plant in Montana-Dakota's system and the results of Montana-Dakota's analysis in the 2011 Integrated Resource Plan submitted to the Commission on May 12, 2011. Mr. Neigum is sponsoring Montana-Dakota Exhibit 4 – Montana-Dakota's Assessment of Pending Environmental Regulations to the Big Stone Plant.

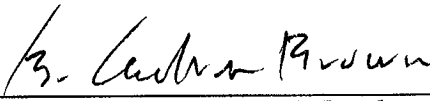
5. Terry Graumann, Otter Tail Power Company, 215 South Cascade Street, Fergus Falls, Minnesota 56538-0496. Mr. Graumann is the Manager, Environmental Services for Otter

Tail and will testify regarding the South Dakota regulatory action that requires Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota to implement the proposed AQCS project and the environmental benefits that will result from the AQCS project. Mr. Graumann is sponsoring the Assessment of Federal and State Environmental Regulations included in Attachment 2 to the Applications of Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota as well as Attachments 1 and 3 to the Applications.

Otter Tail and Montana-Dakota reserve the right to call substitute witnesses in the event any of the listed witnesses are unavailable to testify.

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