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November 25, 2011

Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary
Public Service Commission
State of North Dakota
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: Residential electric service for Mark Ames
Case No. PU-11-378

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco,

Cass County Electric will not object to the granting of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Ottertail Power Company in the above mentioned case, provided the service is for this specific residential service located in the SE ¼, SW ¼ of Section 17, T140N R61W, Barnes County, North Dakota.

It should be noted for the record that Mr. Ames agreed to forego electric service from Cass County Electric and to take electric service from Otter Tail Power Company. The reason that Cass Electric approached Otter Tail Power regarding this electric service account is due to a failed underground power cable. It is more economical for Otter Tail Power to serve this account from their existing electric plant than for Cass Electric to replace this failed underground cable. Cass Electric would request that the order for permanent electric service state that this agreement is strictly limited to this account and cannot and will not be construed to be used for other situations that may arise in the future.

Cass County Electric reserves the right to object to any extension beyond the specific service requested.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bradley J. Schmidt'.

Bradley J. Schmidt PE
Sr. VP Trans. & Distr. Services

Cc: Mr. William Schlossman – Attorney, Cass County Electric
Mr. Scott Handy – President & CEO, Cass County Electric