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October 27, 2011

Tamie Aberle
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RE: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Advance Determination of Prudence- 88 MW Turbine
Application
Case No. PU-11-395

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
88 MW Combustion Turbine
Public Convenience & Necessity
Case No. PU-11-396

At its regular Commission meeting on October 26, 2011, the North Dakota Public Service Commission passed a motion consolidating the hearings in the above-referenced cases. A copy of the motion is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Patrick Fahn, Director
Compliance and Competitive Markets

Enclosure
cc: Daniel Kuntz

10-26-11

MOTION

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Believing that there will be no prejudice to the rights of the parties or the public interest, and finding the cases involve similar questions of law and fact, I move the Commission consolidate for hearing Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Advance Determination of Prudence, 88 MW Turbine, Application, Case No. PU-11-395 and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., 88 MW Combustion Turbine, Public Convenience and Necessity, Case No. PU-11-396, under North Dakota Administrative Code section 69-02-04-04.