

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Allete Clean Energy, Inc.
100 MW Clean Energy #1 Wind Pj- Mercer & Morton
Counties
Siting Application

Case No. PU-11-662

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Cara DeSaye deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the 27th day of **March, 2012**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

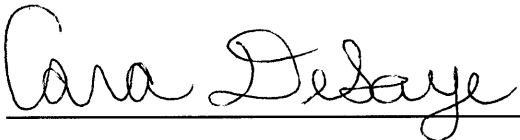
Notice of Filing and Notice of Hearing

The envelope was addressed as follows:

David Moeller
ALLETE Clean Energy, Inc.
30 West Superior Street, Suite 200
Duluth MN 55802-2093

Cert. No. 7009 2820 0002 9237 5527

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

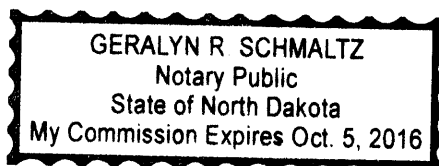


Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 27th day of **March, 2012**.



Notary Public

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March 21, 2012

On January 31, 2012, ALLETE Clean Energy, Inc. filed an application for a certificate of site compatibility to authorize construction of its proposed Clean Energy #1 Wind Project consisting of up to 100 MW of wind turbine generators and associated facilities in Mercer and Morton Counties of North Dakota as shown on the attached map.

A Public Hearing on the application is scheduled to begin on **May 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. CDT at the City Commission Meeting Room, 205 2nd Ave NW, Mandan, ND 58554.** 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?

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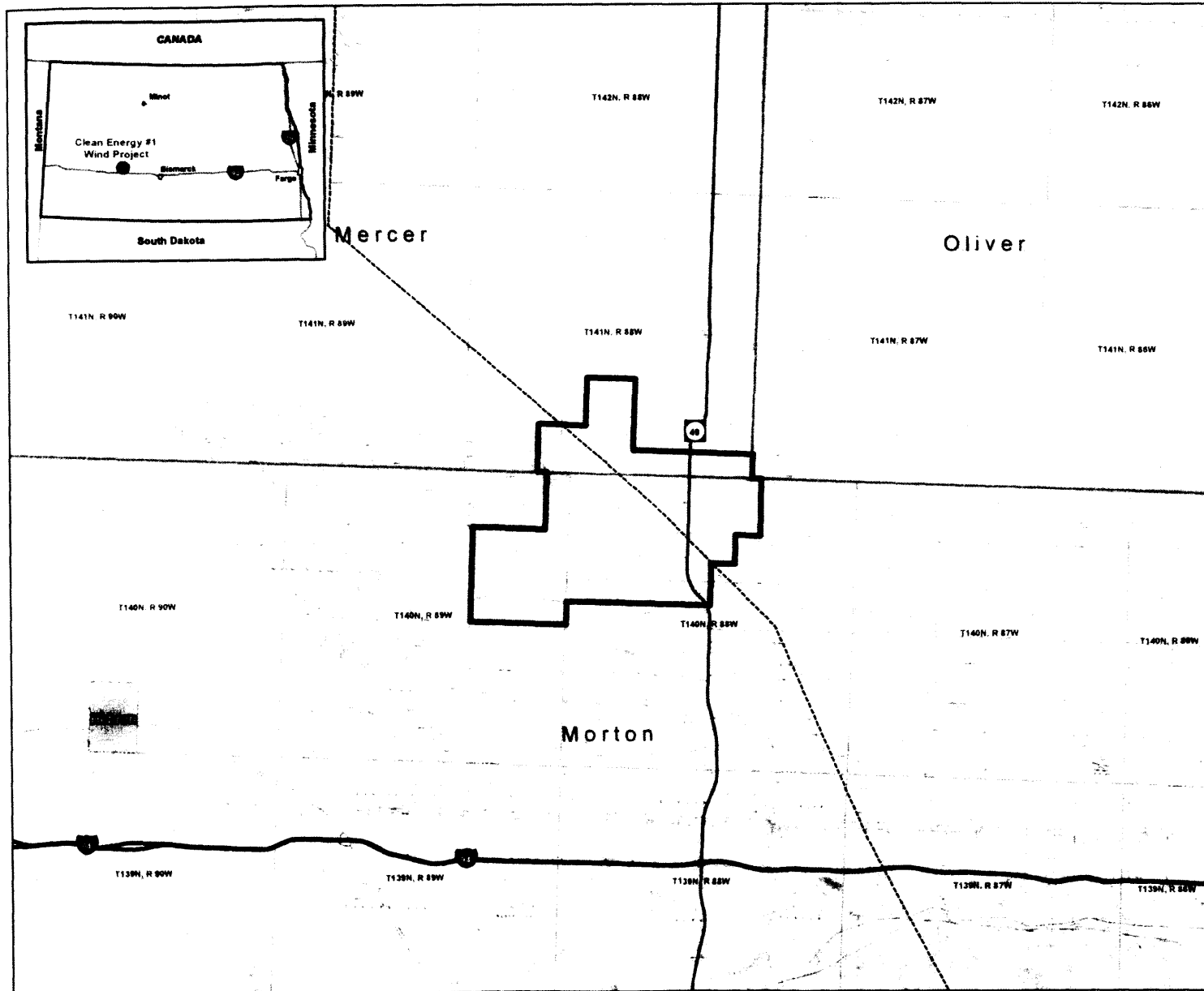
**Kevin Cramer
Commissioner**



**Tony Clark
Chairman**



**Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner**



- Transmission Line
- State Highway
- Interstate Highway
- Preliminary Project Boundary
- Municipality
- County Boundary

Data Sources:
 Project Boundary - Allete Clean Energy
 Transmission Line - Barr Engineering
 Roads, Administrative Boundaries - ND DOT
 Topo Map - USGS DRG

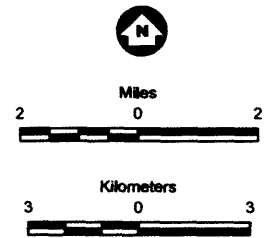


Exhibit 1
PROJECT OVERVIEW MAP
 Clean Energy #1 Wind Project
 Allete Clean Energy
 Morton & Mercer Counties, North Dakota