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Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, General Counsel
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
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RE: North Dakota Public Service Commission
Allete Clean Energy
PSC PU-11-662 – Application for Certificate of Site Compatibility for Wind
Conversion Facility
OAH File No. 2012-0080

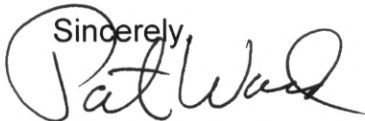
Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

The hearing for the captioned case was completed May 4, 2012, in accordance with the notice of hearing. I have delivered to the commission the exhibits received at the hearing together with an exhibit list, CD recording transcript of the hearing, and have returned to the commission the documents filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings for the hearing.

There does not appear to be any requirement for a hearing officer for the further proceeding to be had for the disposition of the case. Accordingly, I have closed the file of the Office of Administrative Hearings for this case.

The Office of Administrative Hearings was pleased to assist the Public Service Commission and the parties for the matter.

Sincerely,



Patrick J. Ward
Administrative Law Judge

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