

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Basin Electric Power Cooperative  
345 kV Trans. Line- Mercer, Dunn, McKenzie, Williams  
Ctys.  
Siting Application

Case No. PU-11-696

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**Cara DeSaye** deposes and says that:

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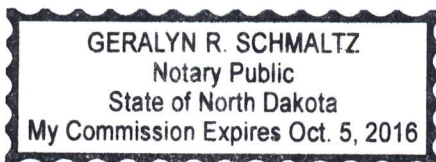
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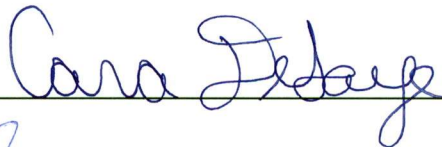
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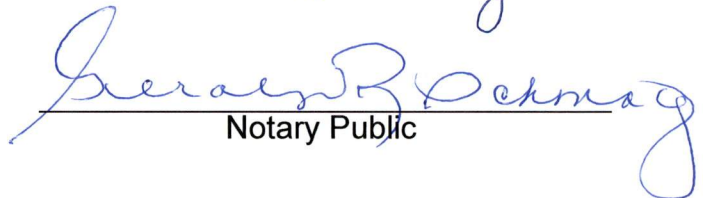
Each post office address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address and each email address is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable electronic mailing address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
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**NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARINGS  
July 30, 2013**

On March 15, 2013, Basin Electric Power Cooperative filed applications for a waiver of procedures and time schedules, a corridor certificate and a route permit to authorize construction of approximately 197.1 miles of 345 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities from the existing AVS substation near Beulah, North Dakota to a new Tande 345 kV Substation to be constructed near Tioga, North Dakota. The line voltage is then reduced to 230 kV before extending approximately one additional mile to Basin Electric's existing Neset 230 kV substation. On July 23, 2013 Basin Electric filed an amendment to the application. The project is proposed to be located in Mercer, Dunn, McKenzie, Williams and Mountrail Counties of North Dakota as shown on the attached map.

Basin Electric requests the Commission waive procedures and time schedules set forth in North Dakota Century Code chapter 49-22 and North Dakota Administrative Code article 69-06 to allow for a single consolidated application for corridor certificate and route permit and to hold a combined hearing on the waiver request and the applications for corridor certificate and route permit.

The Commission finds Basin Electric's applications complete conditioned upon receiving final transmission line structure locations at least one week prior to hearing.

Three separate public hearings will be held with each covering an overview of the project, but focusing on specific portions of the project in the specific areas of each hearing. **The Public Hearings are scheduled to begin:**

**September 4, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. MDT (10:30 a.m. CDT) at the Killdeer City Hall,  
165 Railroad Street, Killdeer, North Dakota 58640.**

**September 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. CDT (9:00 a.m. MDT) at the Tioga City Hall, 12  
1<sup>st</sup> Street NE, Tioga, North Dakota 58852.**

**September 12, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. CDT (9:00 a.m. MDT) at the Williston City Hall,  
22 East Broadway, Williston, North Dakota 58802**

The issues to be considered in Basin Electric's application for waiver of procedures and time schedules are:

1. Are the proposed facilities of such length, design, location, or purpose that they will produce minimal adverse effects and that adherence to applicable procedures and time schedules may be waived?
2. Is it appropriate for the Commission to waive any procedures and time schedules as requested in the application?

The issues to be considered in Basin Electric's applications for amended certificate of corridor compatibility and amended route permit are:

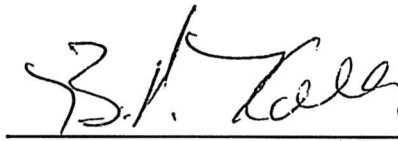
1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will 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?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

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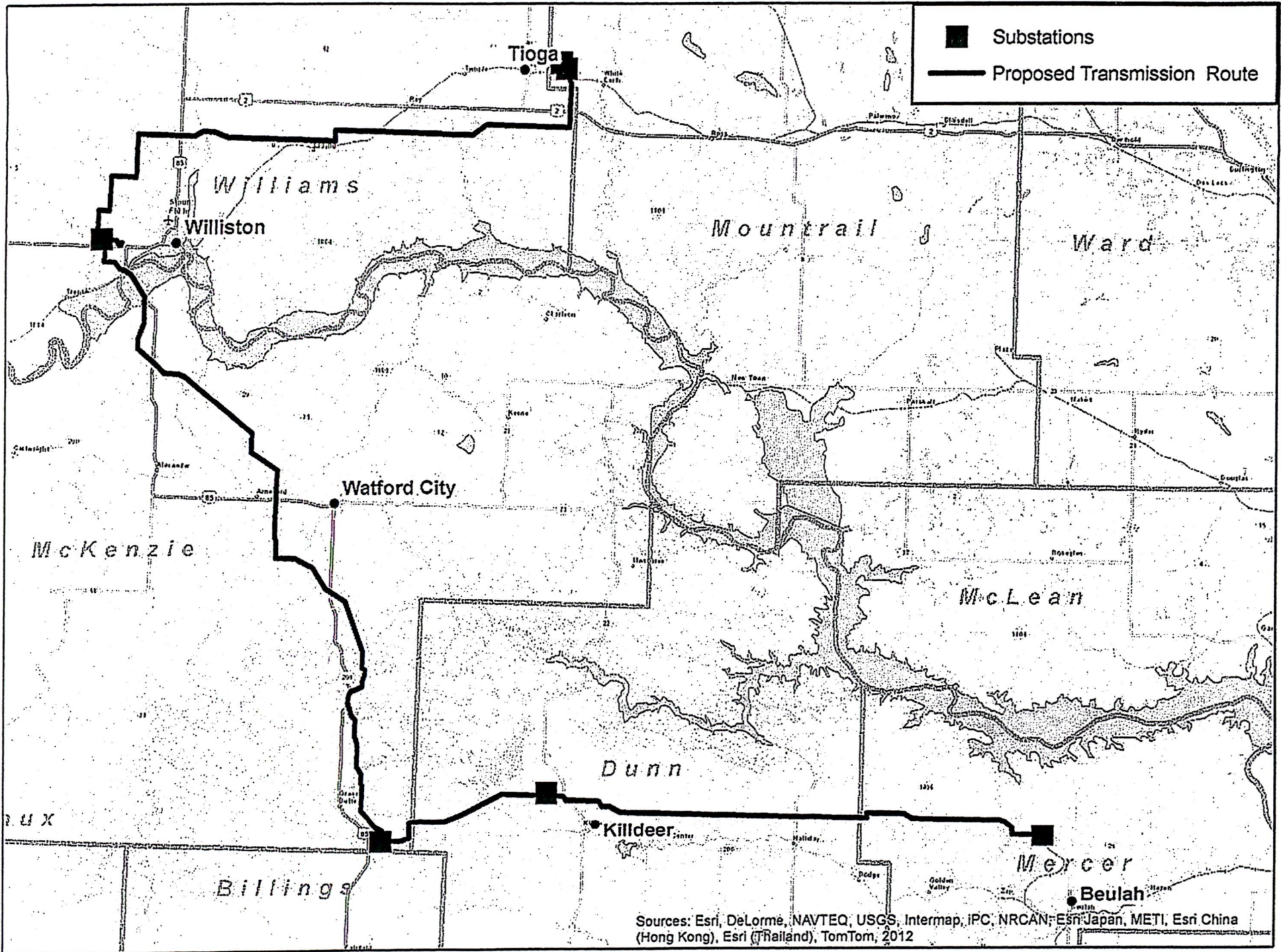
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Substations  
 Proposed Transmission Route

Sources: Esri, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, USGS, Intermap, IPC, NRCAN, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), Esri (Thailand), TomTom, 2012