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Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



Re: AVS-Neset 345 kV Transmission Line Project
Case No. PU-11-696

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

At Basin Electric Power Cooperative's (Basin Electric) hearings in the above docket in early September, Mr. Mike Murray, Basin Electric Property & Right-of-Way Supervisor, testified that Basin Electric had obtained 77% of the easements required for the AVS-Neset 345 kV Transmission Line Project (Project). At the hearings, the Commissioners requested Basin Electric provide updates on the easement acquisition process. On November 15, 2013, I provided an update that 86% of the total landowners have signed easements. As of today, 90% of the total landowners have signed easements with Basin Electric. On a per segment basis, the percentage acquisition rate for landowners is as follows:

Antelope Valley Station to Charlie Creek Substation - 97%
Charlie Creek Substation to Judson Substation - 81%
Judson Substation to Neset Substation - 92%

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Casey J. Jacobson".

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