

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

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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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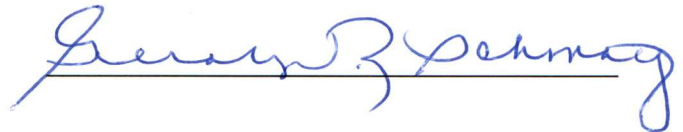
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Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

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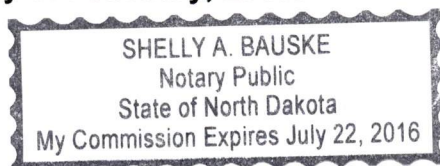
Casey Jacobson
Basin Electric Power Cooperative
1717 East Interstate Ave.
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The address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.



Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **11th day of February, 2016**.

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Notary Public

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

February 10, 2016

On April 23, 2014, the Commission issued Corridor Certificate No. 152 and Route Permit No. 164 to Basin Electric Power Cooperative authorizing approximately 197 miles of 345 kV and 230 kV electric transmission line and associated facilities from the Antelope Valley Station near Beulah to the Neset Substation near Tioga, North Dakota.

On January 28, 2016, Basin Electric filed an amendment requesting three minor corridor and route modifications in Williams County as indicated on the attached map:

- Location #1: T154N, R102W, Sections 2, 3 & 10;
T155N, R102W, Sections 23, 26 & 35.
- Location #2: T155N, R101W, Sections 5, 8, 17 & 20;
T156N, R101W, Sections 32 & 33.
- Location #3: T156N, R100W, Sections 33&34.

The issues to be considered in this matter 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 energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

Those interested are invited to comment in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceedings and reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and hearing requests must be received by March 14, 2016. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.


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 auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille

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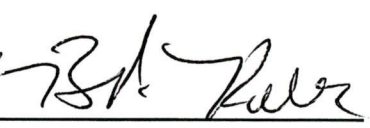
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