

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Northern States Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence-
Geronimo Wind
Application

Case No. PU-12-59

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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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Notice of Hearing

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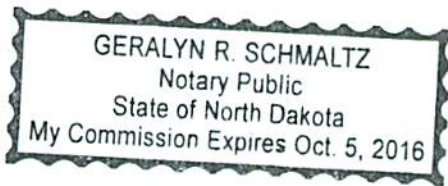
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this 3rd day of **August, 2012**.

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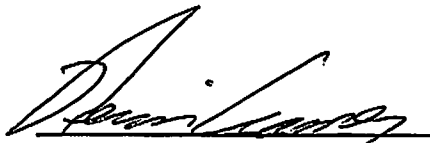
On January 31 2012, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application for advance determination of prudence for its proposed Purchase Power Agreement (PPA) for 200 megawatts of wind energy from Geronimo Wind Energy LLC generated at their Prairie Rose Wind Project located in Rock and Pipestone Counties, Minnesota.

A public hearing on this case will be held beginning **October 22, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505. You can listen to a broadcast of the hearing on the Commission's website at <http://www.psc.state.nd.us/psc/media/comm-live.html>.

The issue to be considered in this case is whether the resource addition is prudent.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or 877-245-6685 (toll free in North Dakota), 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 at least 24 hours in advance.

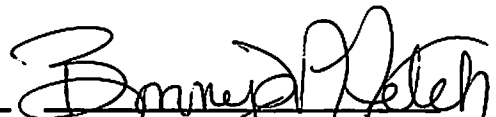
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