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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
Department 408  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

**Re: Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Determination of Prudence — Geronimo Wind Energy, LLC  
Application**

**North Dakota PSC Docket No. PU-12-59**

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and seven (7) copies of the motion of Zeviel T. Simpson for admittance of Elizabeth M. Brama, *pro hac vice*, to represent Northern States Power Company before the Commission in the above-referenced matter. An original and seven copies of Ms. Brama's Affidavit, as required by Rule 3 of the North Dakota Admission to Practice Rules, will be mailed to the Commission under separate cover.

A copy of the enclosed Motion, Ms. Brama's Affidavit, and a check in the amount of \$380.00 have been sent to the North Dakota Board of Law Examiners on a date even herewith.

Please free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

BRIGGS AND MORGAN, P.A.

/s/ Zeviel Simpson

Zeviel Simpson

ZS/jy  
Enclosures

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**Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice, Affidavit of  
Elizabeth M. Brama**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
BEFORE THE  
NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY,  
A MINNESOTA CORPORATION

Case No. PU-12-059

ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF  
PRUDENCE — GERONIMO WIND  
ENERGY, LLC APPLICATION

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**MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

I, Zeviel T. Simpser, hereby move the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for an Order granting Elizabeth M. Brama permission to appear *pro hac vice* in the above-captioned matter to represent Applicant Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation (“Xcel Energy”). Grounds for this motion are as follows:

1. Elizabeth M. Brama is an attorney with the law firm of Briggs and Morgan, Professional Association, 2200 IDS Center, 80 South Eighth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402, which has been retained by Applicant Xcel Energy to represent it in the above referenced cases.

2. Elizabeth M. Brama is admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota and is a member in good standing of said bar. Attached herewith as **Exhibit A** is Elizabeth M. Brama’s Affidavit as required by Rule 3, North Dakota Admission to Practice Rules.

3. Elizabeth M. Brama has filed a copy of this motion and affidavit with the State Board of Law Examiners on a date even herewith.

4. Elizabeth M. Brama will remit to the State Board of Law Examiners the fee required for an attorney who has been licensed in North Dakota for five years or more.

5. Elizabeth M. Brama will designate Zeviel T. Simpser, with the firm of Briggs and Morgan, P.A., 2200 IDS Center, 80 South Eighth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402, as an associate attorney admitted and licensed to practice law in the State of North Dakota.

6. Pursuant to Rule 3 of the North Dakota Admission to Practice Rules, I respectfully request the Commission issue an Order granting permission for Elizabeth M. Brama to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*.

Dated: September 24, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Zeviel T. Simpson

Zeviel T. Simpson

(North Dakota Bar #06794)

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IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION  
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PRUDENCE FOR POWER PURCHASE  
AGREEMENT WITH GERONIMO WIND  
ENERGY, LLC

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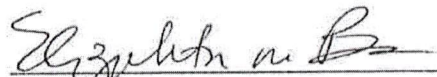
**AFFIDAVIT OF ELIZABETH M. BRAMA**

ELIZABETH M. BRAMA, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and  
says:

1. I am admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota.
2. I have been admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota for nearly  
12 years.
3. I am not presently subject to a disciplinary proceeding in any  
jurisdiction.
4. I am not under any restriction or probation in the practice of law in any  
jurisdiction in which I am licensed.
5. I am not now, nor have I ever been suspended or disbarred from a court  
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6. In the prior three years, I have not appeared in any North Dakota  
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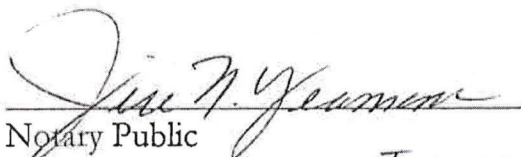
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Dated this 24th day of September, 2012.



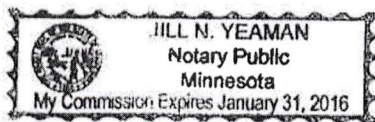
ELIZABETH M. BRAMA

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 24th day of September, 2012.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: JAN. 31, 2016



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**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE**

STATE OF MINNESOTA    )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN    )

Theresa Senart, certifies that on the 25th day of September, 2012 she caused to be served **Motion for Pro Hac Vice for Admittance of Elizabeth M. Brama** in the above entitled docket upon the following:

Patrick J. Ward  
Administrative Law Judge  
Zuger Kirmis & Smith  
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Provident Building  
P.O. Box 1695  
Bismarck, ND 58502-1695

Mark Gruman  
Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard  
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

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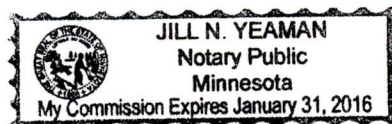
(which are the last known addresses of said parties) via mail by placing true and correct copies of the same addressed as above in the United States Mail.

Theresa Senart  
Theresa Senart

Subscribed and sworn to before

me this 25th day of September, 2012.

Jill N. Yeaman  
Notary Public



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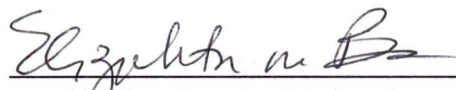
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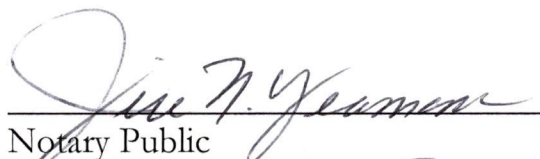
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