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October 26, 2012

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

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RE: Great River Energy
230 kV Transmission Line -- Grand Forks -- Devils Lake
Siting Application
Case No. PU-12-398

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed please find the Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Donna L. Stephenson and the Affidavit of Donna L. Stephenson in the above entitled case.

Copies of the documents have also been sent to the State Board of Law Examiners, along with the fee required under Rule 3(A)(1)(a)(4).

Please contact me if you need any additional information.

GREAT RIVER ENERGY

Donna L. Stephenson
Associate General Counsel

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Motion of GRE for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Donna Stephenson and Affidavit

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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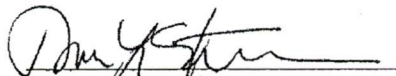
**MOTION OF GREAT RIVER ENERGY
FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF
DONNA L. STEPHENSON**

Pursuant to North Dakota Supreme Court Rule 3 (“Rule 3”), the applicant in the above captioned proceeding, Great River Energy (“GRE”), requests the permission of the North Dakota Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) for Donna L. Stephenson, GRE’s Associate General Counsel, to appear before the Commission in the above-captioned proceeding. Ms. Stephenson’s co-counsel will be Jannelle R.S. Combs, who is licensed to practice in North Dakota.

As stated in the attached Affidavit of Donna L. Stephenson, Ms. Stephenson is admitted to practice and in good standing with the bar of the State of Minnesota. She is not subject to any disciplinary action, not under any restrictions or probation in the practice of law and is not now and has not ever been suspended or disbarred from any court in any jurisdiction. Ms. Stephenson has not previously appeared in North Dakota, and has never previously registered under Rule 3.

Dated: October 26, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna L. Stephenson
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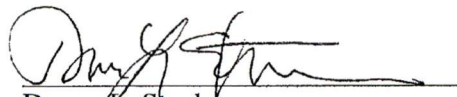
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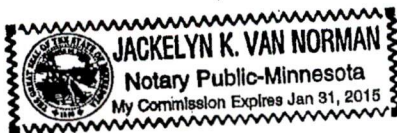
In support of the Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Donna L. Stephenson, Donna L. Stephenson, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states that:

1. My name is Donna L. Stephenson. I am employed by Great River Energy, my title is Associate General Counsel. My office address is 12300 Elm Creek Blvd., Maple Grove, Minnesota 55369-4718.
2. I am a member in good standing of the bar of the State of Minnesota since 1999 (Minnesota License #0291584).
3. I am not presently subject to any disciplinary action by the bar or courts of the state of Minnesota or any other court, nor under any restrictions or probation in the practice of law in any jurisdiction. I am not now and have not ever been suspended or disbarred from a court in any jurisdiction.
4. I have not previously registered under North Dakota Supreme Court Rule 3 or appeared in North Dakota.
5. The information contained in the Motion for the Admission Pro Hac Vice of Donna L. Stephenson, filed contemporaneously with this Affidavit, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated October 25, 2012


Donna L. Stephenson

Notarial stamp or seal (or other title rank)



Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on
October 25, 2012, (date)
By: DONNA L. STEPHENSON
(Print name of the person that signed this form)


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