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Dear Ms. Larsen:

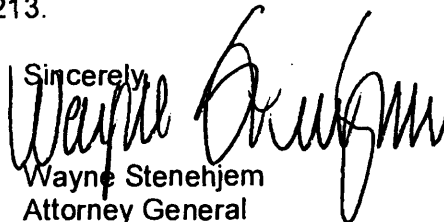
I am pleased to appoint you as a special assistant attorney general for the State of North Dakota. The two appointments are for you to:

- Advise and represent the North Dakota Public Service Commission in the matter of Dakota Resource Council v. North Dakota Public Service Commission, Case No. 1:12-CV-064; and
- Advise and represent the North Dakota Public Service Commission in the matter of Dacotah Chapter of Sierra Club and Dakota Resource Council v. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, in his official capacity, Case No. 1:12-CV-065

For each appointment, you will find enclosed an original Special Assistant Attorney General Appointment Agreement. Please review the agreements, and if you find each to be in order, sign and return them to my assistant, Liz Brocker. Also enclosed are an original Oath of Office for each appointment, one Certificate of Appointment, and the policies relating to the appointment and debt collection practices in effect at this time. Please sign the Oaths before a notary public and return the originals when you return the executed agreements. You should keep a copy of the oaths and appointment agreements for your files. The policies and Certificate are for you to keep. Please return the executed Oaths and Agreements so your appointment can be finalized. Please also provide a copy of your insurance binder cover page or declaration sheet.

I take this opportunity to remind you that you may not undertake work on behalf of a state agency or entity beyond the scope of your appointment. I also encourage you to work with ND PSC to ensure timely reporting of your fees and expenses as required by N.D.C.C. § 54-12-13. The agency is required to report each month, even if no such expenses are incurred. If applicable to your appointment, I also draw your attention to the requirement to provide quarterly litigation status reports and to report any significant developments.

Thank you for representing the legal interests of the State of North Dakota. If you have any questions, please call Liz at (701) 328-2213.

Sincerely,

Wayne Stenehjem
Attorney General

Enclosures

cc: Ilona Jeffcoat-Sacco, PSC
Secretary of State

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