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Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco
General Counsel
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
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Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

This is in regard to your November 15, 2012, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Basin Transload, LLC, PU-12-775. Originally I designated myself, Allen C. Hoberg, to be assigned as an administrative law judge. Due to caseload considerations, I designate Patrick J. Ward as contract administrative law judge to conduct the hearing, make recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, and issue a recommended order in regard to this matter.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated contract administrative law judge in care of Zuger Kirmis & Smith, P O Box 1695, Bismarck, ND 58502-1695; telephone (701) 223-2711. ALJ Ward is available on December 28, 2012, for the previously scheduled hearing in Bowbells, North Dakota.

Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20120464. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Sincerely,

Allen C. Hoberg
Director

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Cc: Lawrence Bender, counsel for Basin Transload, LLC