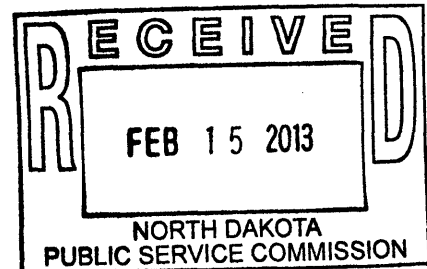




Chris Baumgartner  
Co-General Manager/CEO  
Roughrider Electric Cooperative  
800 Highway Dr.  
Hazen, ND 58545



February 15, 2013

Patrick Fahn  
ND Public Service Commission  
600 E. Boulevard Ave.  
Bismarck, ND 58505

Mr. Fahn:

I am writing in response to Montana-Dakota Utilities' (MDU) request of Public Convenience and Necessity (PCN) before the North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC), to provide electric service to WBI Energy, Inc. near Dickinson, North Dakota.

Roughrider Electric Cooperative understands that the request is to serve the proposed Calumet oil refinery at a location within Section 15 of Township 139, Range 97 in Stark County, North Dakota. It is our understanding that the service extension length will be approximately 2,000 feet of three-phase line connecting to MDU's current 41.6 kV line. It is also our understanding that this extension of service will not be used as a basis for further territorial acquisition.

As Co-General Manager/CEO of Roughrider Electric Cooperative, I submit that our cooperative is aware of its rights to notice, object and have a hearing with the PSC to address the request. With this full knowledge, the cooperative waives all rights to notice, object and hold a hearing. Furthermore, there is no objection to the PSC granting the PCN request to MDU.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris Baumgartner".

Chris Baumgartner

cc. Don Franklund