

**BASIN ELECTRIC
POWER COOPERATIVE**

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April 5, 2013



Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Referenced is North Dakota PSC Case No. PU-13-22 (Basin Electric Power Cooperative – Antelope Valley Station Natural Gas Pipeline).

The Certificate of Approval of a Conditional Use for Mercer County Zoning Case 13-03-01 was issued by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners on April 3rd, 2013. A copy of this approval is enclosed for your records.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the enclosure, please contact me at 701.557.5495.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Solie
Senior Environmental Coordinator

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Enclosure

cc: Casey Jacobson

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Certificate of approval of conditional use

MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
STANTON, NORTH DAKOTA

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE
ZONING CASE NO. 13-03-01

ISSUED TO: Basin Electric Power Cooperative
1717 East Interstate Ave
Bismarck ND 58501

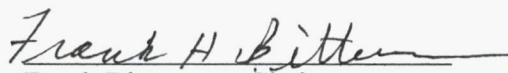
CONDITIONAL USE: Install 10" diameter natural gas pipe for ignition and
preheating boiler start-up.


LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pipe route will pass through the SW4 T145NR87W,
SW4 Section 13, SE4 Section 14, NE4 & SE4
Section 23, NW4, SW4 & SE4 Section 25 and NE4
Section 26 all within T145N R88W of the 5th P.M.
Mercer County ND

PLANNING COMMISSION: Recommended approval March 21st 2013

REMARKS: Install pipe in accordance with the Public Service
Commission regulations. Basin Electric Power
Cooperative has filed an application for combined
Corridor Certificate and Route Permit Case Number
PU-13-22 on February 28, 2013.

Issued this 3rd day of April 2013, by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners.


Frank Bitterman, Chairman


Shana Brost, County Auditor