

**BASIN ELECTRIC  
POWER COOPERATIVE**

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June 11, 2013

Attn: Gary Emter  
Mercer County Planning and Zoning  
P.O. Box 39  
Stanton, ND 58571

Dear Mr. Emter:

A Certificate of Approval of a Conditional Use (Conditional Use Permit or CUP) for Mercer County Zoning Case 13-03-01 (Antelope Valley Station Natural Gas Pipeline) was issued by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013. See attached.

As discussed during our telephone conversation today, I am providing notice to inform the County of a change in the owner/operator of the proposed facility. After the CUP was issued, it was determined that Basin Electric's wholly-owned subsidiary, Dakota Gasification Company (DGC), would ultimately own and operate the pipeline. The primary reasons for this change in ownership are DGC's superior experience in the operation and maintenance of compressed-gas pipelines and potential tax benefits available to DGC due to its for-profit status.

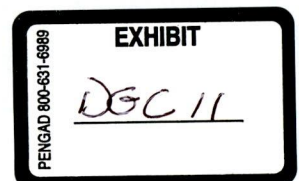
We understand that no further actions regarding the CUP are necessary on our part. Please contact me if you need additional information from Basin or have any other questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Solie  
Senior Environmental Coordinator

kls/ds  
enclosure

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Exhibit DGC-11



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.

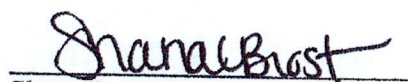
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pipe route will pass through the SW4 T145NR87W,  
SW4 Section 13, SE4 Section 14, NE4 & SE4  
Section 23, NW4, SW4 & SE4 Section 25 and NE4  
Section 26 all within T145N R88W of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Mercer County ND

PLANNING COMMISSION: Recommended approval March 21<sup>st</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2013, by the Board of Mercer County Commissioners.

  
Frank Bitterman, Chairman

  
Shana Brost, County Auditor