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Project; thus, it has been determined that the Project will produce minimal adverse effects. In addition, granting the requested route modification will ensuring compliance with safety best practices.

Furthermore, the documentation of environmental and cultural resource studies and analyses conducted for the proposed route modification demonstrates that there will be minimal adverse effects due to the modification, and that the proposed modification complies with the exclusion and avoidance area criteria set forth in Section 69-06-08-02 of the North Dakota Administrative Code. As such, the requested modification also complies with the requirements of Section 69-06-05-02-2 of the North Dakota Administrative Code. Attachment C lists the status of surveys and Attachment D lists the status of permit and/or approvals.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request that the Commission adopt the requested procedures and time schedules, approve the requested route modification, and issue an order granting an amended Route Permit for the Project.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2017.

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