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Weekly Update for October 28 to November 3, 2017

To: Jerry Lein
North Dakota Public Service Commission
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Montana-Dakota Utilities Co's & Otter Tail Power Company's Big Stone South to Ellendale 345KV Transmission Line Project in Dickey County, ND Case No. PU 13-840 Notice of Ellendale 345kV Substation Construction weekly update from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Email update #10)

Dear Mr. Lein:

This past week our contractor (Scherbenske, Inc.) worked to get final side slopes and ditch topsoil placed in preparation for seeding. They should be mobilized out late this week or early next week, with hydroseeding done at that time also. Substation components are being shipped to site sporadically, traffic on roadways should be minimal until final rock cover is placed over site next year after foundation work is complete. The next phase of construction will be working on foundations and erection of structures within the footprint of the gravel pad.

Next week activities are expected to consist of: final walkthrough of site with grading contractor after hydroseeding. Mobilization and foundation construction by the contractor (Key Contracting) will be starting on November 6th, 2017.

As they relate to the PSC order and Substation construction: no safety issues, no property damage issues, no complaints, no public roadway issues, no environmental or cultural issues were encountered or brought to our attention.

Thank you and if you have any further questions about substation construction activities, feel free to contact me at:

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