Big Stone South to Ellendale Project

BSSE Line Construction Project Weekly Status Report

Case No. PU-13-840

Al Koeckeritz ▸ Otter Tail Power Company ▸ 9/10/2018

Project Overview – The BSSE Project is a 163-mile 345kV transmission line that runs from the Big Stone, South Dakota Substation to the Ellendale, North Dakota Substation. Approximately 10 miles of the line is in Dickey County North Dakota.

Weekly Progress – No BSSE Project work took place in North Dakota last week. The next phase will be stringing operations, which Brink currently has scheduled to begin the end of October.

Montana-Dakota Utilities weekly report is included in this report.

North Dakota Construction Activity	Completed this Week	Completed to date	Remaining to do	Total to do	UOM	% Complete
Tree Clearing (by parcel)	-	8	0	8	Parcel	100%
Drill Pier Foundations	-	41	0	41	EA	100%
Haul Structures	1	41	0	41	EA	100%
Set Structures	10	41	0	41	EA	102%
Pull Conductor (per thousand feet)	0	0	48	48	KFT	0%

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This week's plans

No activities in North Dakota until stringing operations begin.

Environmental – New critical habitat, T&E species, bald eagles or golden eagles

None to report this week

Cultural impacts – cultural, paleontological, archeological, historical, or grave discoveries

None to report this week

Damage to UG facilities

None to report this week

Landowner/Public Issues or complaints

None to report this week

Extraordinary Events – such as death of T&E species

None to report this week

Safety - injuries to any person or equipment damage

None to report this week

Additional Filing Documents

None to report this week.

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Weekly Update for September 1 to September 7, 2018

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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 #53)

Dear Mr. Lein:

MDU's general contractor Highmark Erectors continues to work on switches, conduit, and pulling control cable. They are monitoring the grass growth on site. The site perimeter security system is being installed. MDU Electricians are onsite working on terminating control cable in equipment and testing relays in the control house. A crushed rock surfacing will start to be hauled in and placed over the next couple weeks.

As they relate to the PSC order and Substation construction: no safety issues, no property damage issues, 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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