

Big Stone South to Ellendale Project



▶ BSSE Line Construction Project Weekly Status Report

Case No. PU-13-840

Al Koeckeritz ▶ Otter Tail Power Company ▶ 10/22/2018

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 – The only BSSE Project work that took place in North Dakota last week was the work Dahn did matting for access. Due to the amount of moisture that was received in the area recently, Dahn placed poly mats for access that will allow Brink to begin stringing activities and prevent rutting and tracking.

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	0	41	0	41	EA	100%
Set Structures	0	41	0	41	EA	100%
Pull Conductor (per thousand feet)	0	0	48	48	KFT	0%

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This week's plans

Brink will begin installing pilot line and conductor on Monday, October 22nd and continue with stringing activities. Dahn will continue placing poly mats as needed. Currently, plans are for Brink to complete stringing by December 1st.

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 October 13 to October 19, 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 #59)

Dear Mr. Lein:

MDU's general contractor Highmark Erectors continues to work on miscellaneous items to finish the substation. The deliveries of washed cover rock to the site has been completed. We are monitoring the grass growth on site. Security cameras are still being tested this week. MDU Electricians are onsite working on terminating control cable in equipment and testing relays in the control house.

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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