

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Northern States Power Company  
230/115kV 336 MVA transformer- Prairie Substation  
Public Convenience & Necessity**

**Case No. PU-14-126**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED & REGULAR MAIL**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**Cara DeSaye** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **28<sup>th</sup>** day of **March, 2014**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

**Notice of Opportunity for Hearing**

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Matthew Langan  
Xcel Energy  
414 Nicollet Mall  
Minneapolis MN 55401

**Cert. No. 7013 2630 0001 2317 0781**

**Cara DeSaye** further deposes and says that on the **28<sup>h</sup>** day of **March, 2014**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Dave Sederquist  
Xcel Energy  
2302 Great Northern Drive  
Fargo ND 58102

Alison Archer  
Xcel Energy  
414 Nicollet Mall  
Minneapolis MN 55401

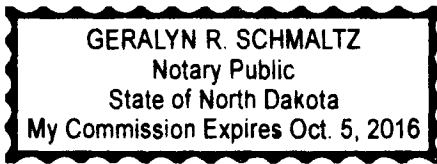
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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 28<sup>th</sup> day of **March, 2014**.

Cara Delaney  
Gerald R. Schultz  
Notary Public

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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING**

**March 26, 2014**

On March 14, 2014, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to add a transformer to NSP's Prairie Substation in Grand Forks and extend 230 kV electric transmission line from that substation a distance of approximately 1,100 feet to interconnect with Minnkota Power Cooperative's Prairie Substation.

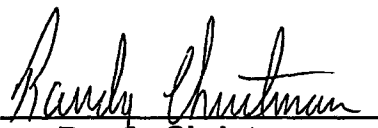
The issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Whether public convenience and necessity will be served by construction and operation of the facilities.
2. Whether each of the applicants is fit, willing, and able to provide service.

Those interested are invited to comment on the applications in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceedings and the reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and requests for hearing must be received by **April 30, 2014**. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400, or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or braille materials please notify the Commission.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
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**Randy Christmann  
Commissioner**

  
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**Brian P. Kalk  
Chairman**

  
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**Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner**

**APPROVED**

DATE: 3-26-14

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**MOTION**

**March 26, 2014**

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I move the Commission assess a filing fee of \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in the application of Northern States Power Company for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to add a transformer to NSP's Prairie Substation in Grand Forks and extend approximately 1,100 feet of 230 kV electric transmission line to interconnect with Minnkota Power Cooperative's Prairie Substation in Grand Forks County, North Dakota, Case No. PU-14-126.

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