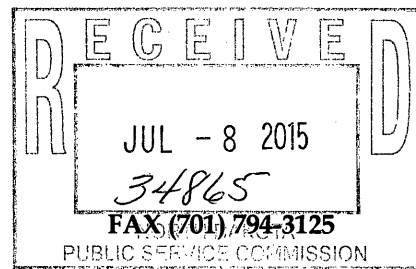


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July 8, 2015

Mr. Jim Deutsch, Director
Reclamation Division, NDPSC
Department 408
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Affidavits of Publication

Dear Mr. Deutsch,

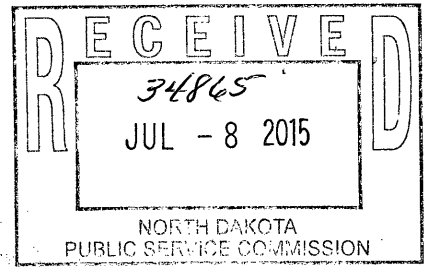
Enclosed with this letter are copies of the "Affidavit of Publication" notices from the Bismarck Tribune and the Center Republican for Renewal Number 3 and Revision 38 to Permit BNCR-9702, from the Bismarck Tribune and the Center Republican for Renewal Number 4 and Revision 13 to Permit BNCR-9401 and from the Center Republican for Bond Release Number 8 to Permit BNCR-8106.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the Center office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karene M. Hall".

Karene M. Hall
Permit Coordinator



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
COUNTY OF Oliver)
SS

I SHELLEY CHASE, being first duly sworn, on my own oath, say, that I am the bookkeeper of the Center Republican, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published in the city of Center, that the advertisement headed:

BNI-CENTER MINE CR-BOND RELEASE PO #152481/LEGAL

a printed copy of which is here annexed, was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper during the period and time of publication, and that the notice was published in the newspaper proper, and not in a supplement,

for 4 consecutive week 06/25/2015 to wit:

Table with 4 columns: Column Inches, Price per inch, Total Price, and Date. Rows include 14 inch columns for dates 06/04/2015, 06/11/2015, 06/18/2015, and 06/25/2015.

Notary Fee \$1.00 Total Cost of Legal \$340.36

Handwritten signature of Shelley Chase

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June A.D. 2015

(Seal) Darla J. Mautz

Notary Public, State of North Dakota

My Commission Expires

