

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Border Winds Energy / Northern States Power Company
Transfer of Site Certificate
Siting Application**

Case No. PU-17-362

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **6th day of October, 2017**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **three** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing photocopy of:

- **Notice of Opportunity for Hearing**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Amanda Rome
Xcel Energy
414 Nicollet Mall, 401-8
Minneapolis, MN 55401
Cert. No. 7017 1070 0000 1507 6934

Pamela Gibbs
Northern States Power Company
414 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401
Cert. No. 7017 1070 0000 1507 6941

Dave Sederquist
Northern States Power Company
2302 Great Northern Drive
Fargo, ND 58102
Cert. No. 7017 1070 0000 1507 6927

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **6th day of October, 2017**, she electronically mailed one copy of the same.

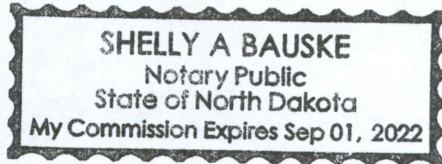
The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

regulatory.records@xcelenergy.com

The addresses shown are the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable mailing and electronic addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **6th day of October, 2017**.

SEAL



Jeremy D. Penney

Shelly A Bauske
Notary Public

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

October 4, 2017

On May 5, 2011 the Commission issued Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 to Sequoia Energy US, Inc. authorizing construction of a proposed 150 MW Border Winds Energy Project and associated facilities in Rolette County, North Dakota.

On April 9, 2014, in Case No. PU-14-31, the Commission reissued Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 to Border Winds Energy, LLC and amended the certificate to authorize turbine and site plan revisions. Border Winds Energy, LLC was merged into Northern States Power Company (NSP) on December 3, 2015.

On September 22, 2017, in Case No. PU-17-362, NSP filed an application to transfer Certificate of Site Compatibility Number 21 from Border Winds Energy, LLC to NSP. The issues to be considered in Case No. PU-17-362 are whether NSP agrees and is able to comply with the terms and conditions of the certificates and permit issued to Border Winds Energy, LLC and whether the requested transfer is compatible with the public interest.

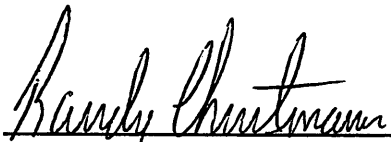
Those interested are invited to comment in writing on the application in Case No. PU-17-362. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by November 15, 2017.** 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.

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