

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF NORTH DAKOTA

**Environmental Law & Policy Center and
Dakota Resource Council,**)
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**Complainants/
Petitioners,**)
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vs.)
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Meridian Energy Group, Inc.,)
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Respondent.)



Case No. _____

**MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE*
AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

Scott Strand and Rachel Granneman of the Environmental Law & Policy Center (“ELPC”) hereby move for each to be granted permission to participate in this case as counsel of record for the Environmental Law & Policy Center. In support of this motion, the movants state as follows:

1. Rule 69-02-01-05 of the North Dakota Public Service Commission’s (“NDPSC”) rules of practice and procedure states that “Participants may appear in any proceeding in person or by an attorney or other qualified representative.”
2. Rule 69-02-01-06 of the North Dakota Public Service Commission’s (“NDPSC”) rules of practice and procedure states that in addition to attorneys at law who are admitted to practice in North Dakota, “Any other person who possesses the necessary legal or technical qualifications to enable the person to render valuable service may, with the commission’s permission, practice before the commission.”
3. Scott Strand is a Senior Attorney with the non-profit legal organization ELPC.

4. Mr. Strand is duly licensed and admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota (1983), District of Minnesota (1983), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (1984), the U.S. Supreme Court (1991), the Western District of Wisconsin (2017), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit (2017), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2017), and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2018).

5. Rachel Granneman is a Staff Attorney with ELPC.

6. Ms. Granneman is duly licensed and admitted to practice law in the State of Illinois (2013), the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2014), the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2017), and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2018).

7. Mr. Strand and Ms. Granneman designate Derrick Braaten (ND 06394) of Braaten Law Firm as associate attorney. Mr. Braaten is admitted and licensed to practice law in North Dakota.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel respectfully requests this Court enter an order of admission *pro hac vice* for both Scott Strand and Rachel Granneman.

Dated this 6th day of July, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Scott Strand

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to Practice Rule 3(A)(1)(a)(1)*

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**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF
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COMES NOW Scott Strand respectfully requesting that the North Dakota Public Service Commission permit him to appear as counsel for the Environmental Law & Policy Center in the above captioned case.

Pursuant to North Dakota Supreme Court Rule 3(1)(b), Mr. Strand states as follows:

1. I am an attorney at the Environmental Law & Policy Center. I have been admitted to the Minnesota State Bar for 35 years, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit for 34 years, the U.S. Supreme Court for 27 years, the Western District of Wisconsin for one year, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit for one year, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for one year, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit as of this year. I am of good standing in each of these jurisdictions.
2. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdictions.
3. I am not under any restriction or probation in the practice of law in any jurisdiction in which I am licensed.
4. I am not now nor have I ever been suspended from practicing law.
5. I have not appeared in any North Dakota actions within the past three years and have never registered under this rule.

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COMES NOW Rachel Granneman respectfully requesting that the North Dakota Public Service Commission permit her to appear as counsel for the Environmental Law & Policy Center in the above captioned case.

Pursuant to North Dakota Supreme Court Rule 3(1)(b), Ms. Granneman states as follows:

1. I am an attorney at the Environmental Law & Policy Center. I have been admitted to the Illinois State Bar for five years, the Northern District of Illinois for four years, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for one year, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit as of this year. I am of good standing in each of these jurisdictions.
2. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdictions.
3. I am not under any restriction or probation in the practice of law in any jurisdiction in which I am licensed.
4. I am not now nor have ever been suspended from practicing law.
5. I have not appeared in any North Dakota actions within the past three years and have never registered under this rule.
6. My business address is 35 E. Wacker Dr. Suite 1600, Chicago, IL 60601. My telephone number is (312) 795-3737, and my email address is RGranneman@elpc.org.

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