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Public Service Commission  
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Dear Mr. Schuh:

Thank you for your July 19, 2023, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of BNI Coal, Ltd. / RC-20-438. I hereby designate Hope L. Hogan to be assigned as an administrative law judge to conduct the hearing, make recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, and issue a recommended order regarding this matter.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated administrative law judge in care of the Office of Administrative Hearings, 2911 North 14th Street- Suite 303, Bismarck, ND 58503. I understand the hearing is scheduled for August 17, 2023, in the PSC Hearing Room at the State Capitol in Bismarck. Because the administrative law judge is requested to conduct the hearing only, the agency must give proper notice of the hearing.

**Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20230243. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.**

Sincerely,



Timothy J. Dawson  
Director

cc: Doug Scheetz, BNI Coal, Ltd. w/OAH Informational Guide  
Brian Dresser w/OAH Informational Guide  
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Hope L. Hogan, Administrative Law Judge

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Letter designating ALJ - Hope Hogan

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