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Zanna Brinkman
Director Reclamation & AML Divisions
ND Public Service Commission
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RE: Receipt of formal State Program Amendment XLIII (43).

Dear Ms. Brinkman:

The Denver Field Division has received formal submittal of State Program Amendment XLIII (43) on behalf of the State of North Dakota, dated November 30, 2022, and received December 6, 2022.

The proposed amendment consists of changes made to North Dakota Century Code 38-14.1 resulting from House Bill No. 1061 during the 2021 Legislative Session. The proposed amendment also includes law changes to North Dakota Century Code Chapter 3 8-14.1 and rule changes to North Dakota Administrative Code Article 69-5.2 as a result of Senate Bill No. 2327 from North Dakota's 2017 Legislative Session and House Bill No. 1353 from North Dakota's 2021 Legislation Session. We will process the amendment as State Amendment Tracking System (SATS) number ND-057-FOR.

We have deemed this formal amendment submission to be administratively complete, and processing of ND-057-FOR has already begun. Please contact John Sieving at (307) 261-6541 or jsieving@osmre.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jeff Fleischman, Chief
Denver Field Division