

IN THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

ORDER

Supreme Court No. 20260059
Burleigh County District Court Co. No. 08-2025-CV-02068

**Wano Township, Willowbank Township,
Russell Township, Corwin Township,
Valley Township, Mike and Patty Bartel,
Richard and Susan R. Long, Steven
and Julia Nelson, Phyllis P. Otterness
and Patricia A. Vick, Brandon and
Tausha Schweigert, Shockman Farm
Partnership, LLLP, Debra Sue Wald,
Lucas and Jill Wald, Tim Leppert, Orr
Farms, Steve M. and Sandra J. Rupp,
David A. and Denette M. Schweigert,
Allen D. and Inna N. Swiontek, David
and Holly Wald, Weston Wald, and
Willowbank Hutterian Brethren Association,**

Appellants

v.

**North Dakota Public Service Commission,
Otter Tail Power Company, and
Montana-Dakota Utilities, Co.,**

Appellees

[¶1] On February 17, 2026, Appellants moved to stay the district court proceedings pending appeal. On March 10, 2026, the North Dakota Public Service Commission filed a response to the motion. Also, on March 10, 2026, Montana-Dakota Utilities, Co. and Otter Tail Power Company filed a response to the motion. On March 16, 2026, The Appellants filed a motion for leave to file a reply brief to the motion. The Court considered the matter, and

[¶2] ORDERED that the motion for leave to file a reply brief is GRANTED.

[¶3] ORDERED that the motion for stay is DENIED.

[¶4] The Supreme Court of the State of North Dakota convened with the Honorable Lisa Fair McEvers, Chief Justice, and the Honorable Jerod E. Tufte, the Honorable Jon J. Jensen, the Honorable Douglas A. Bahr, and the Honorable Mark A. Friese, Justices, directing the Clerk of the Supreme Court to enter the above order.

[¶5] Dated: 3/27/2026

Petra H. Mandigo Hulm
Clerk
North Dakota Supreme Court