

Case Number: PU-25-284

Case Description: Basin Electric Coop-Tande to Saskatchewan 230kV Transmission Line

Analyst Initials: CCH

Original Dollar Value of Investment in ND	97,000,000.00
Application Investment Amount in ND	
Total Investment	97,000,000.00

Note: Email from company or docketed case files must be attached as support for Total Investment Amount

Siting Application Fee	100,000.00	PSC Accounting use only:	
Siting Admin Fee*	19,400.00	7800 - 301 - 420260 JE:	<u>2590467</u>
Total Fees Due	119,400.00	1400 - 510 - 464160 JE:	<u>2590467</u>

Siting Admin Fee:

* For new or transfer siting applications only. Not amendments.

*Per NDCC 49.22.1-21 & 49-22-22, \$200 for each \$1 million of original investment, not to exceed \$50,000


Siting Application Fee:

Per NDCC 49.22.1-21 & 49-22-22, For a certificate of site compatibility, \$500 for each \$1 M of investment in the facility. Not less than \$10k or more than \$100k.

Per NDCC 49.22.1-21 & 49-22-22, For a certificate of corridor compatibility, \$5,000 for each \$1 M of investment in the facility. Not less than \$10k or more than \$100k.

Per NDCC 49.22.1-21 & 49-22-22, For an amendment, amount to be determined by commission to cover expenses, discuss with PUD Director.

Excess Application Fee is refundable.

This form will be docketed in the case file after funds have been deposited by PSC Accounting. 

1.3 Tande Circuit Location

The Tande Circuit is located in Burke, Divide, and Mountrail Counties in North Dakota. The Tande Circuit Route is within primarily rural areas, starting approximately 3.8 miles west of Tioga, ND at the Basin Electric owned Tande Substation and terminating at the Canadian border, approximately 6.8 miles northeast of Crosby, ND. **Table 1-3** shows the Township, Range, and Sections of the Tande Circuit.

Table 1-3: Tande Circuit Public Land Survey System Locations			
County	Township	Range	Section
Burke	159N	94W	6, 7, 18, 19, 30
	160N	94W	30, 31
Divide	160N	95W	6, 7, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
	161N	95W	19, 20, 21, 28, 33
	161N	96W	2, 11, 14, 23, 24
	162N	96W	2, 11, 14, 23, 26, 35
	163N	96W	5, 6, 8, 17, 20, 26, 27, 28, 29, 35
	163N	97W	1
	164N	97W	25, 36
Mountrail	157N	94W	5, 6, 8, 17, 20, 29
	158N	94W	5, 8, 17, 19, 20, 30, 31

1.4 Easement Acquisition

There are a total of 120 landowners within the Tande Circuit Corridor. The Tande Circuit Route is 100% on privately owned land. Basin Electric is in the process of securing easement agreements over the required parcels for the Tande Route Corridor. As of October 2025, approximately 85 percent of landowner easements have been secured for the Tande Circuit.

1.5 Tande Circuit Schedule

Basin Electric plans to commence construction in spring 2026, pending permit approvals. Construction is anticipated to be complete by September of 2027, with reclamation extending into 2028, as needed. Private third-party contractors will construct the transmission line, with winter construction anticipated. Basin Electric will ensure that any contractors hired will be familiar with and comply with mitigation measures and any agency or permit requirements.

Key schedule milestones include:

1. **Certificate and Route Permit:** Requested by 1st Quarter 2026.
2. **Right-of-Way (ROW) Acquisition:** Anticipated in 1st Quarter 2026.
3. **Equipment Procurement, Manufacture and Delivery:** Ordering of long-lead equipment is in progress.
4. **Construction:** Approximately 16 months of construction beginning in 2nd Quarter 2026 to 4th Quarter 2027, with restoration extending into 2028, as necessary.
5. **Test and Operations:** Anticipated in 3rd Quarter 2027.
6. **Commercial Operation:** Anticipated in 3rd Quarter 2027.
7. **Expansions or Additions:** Basin Electric has no plans for expansions or additions to the Tande Circuit.

1.6 Tande Circuit Cost

The estimated cost of the Tande Circuit is \$97 million.