

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

North Plains Connector LLC
North Plains Connector Transmission Project
Siting Application

Case No. PU-26-82

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **30th day of July 2026**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, one envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

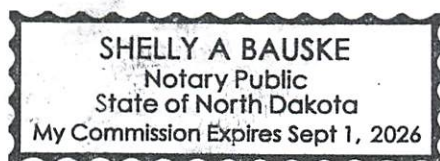
- **Notice of Technical Hearing**

The envelope was addressed as follows:

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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **30th day of July 2026**.



SEAL

Notary Public

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NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

A technical hearing on the application for Case No. PU-26-82 is scheduled for **September 1, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time, at the Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol, Ground Floor, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.**

On February 2, 2026, North Plains Connector LLC filed an application with the Public Service Commission for a Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit for a high-voltage direct current transmission line approximately 168-miles long, and associated 345-kV transmission lines, approximately 74-miles long, in Golden Valley, Slope, Hettinger, Grant, Morton, and Oliver Counties, North Dakota.

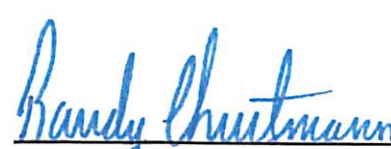
The issues to be considered in the applications for a certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit are:

1. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Is the proposed facility compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will construction, operation, and maintenance of the facility at the proposed location minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

The technical hearing will permit the parties to present evidence, examine witnesses, and cross-examine witnesses. Due to time restrictions and the limited scope of this technical hearing, there will likely be no opportunity for public input during the technical hearings. Members of the public wishing to provide public input are encouraged to attend one of the public hearing dates listed in Notice of Public Hearings already issued by the Commission for this matter.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

Issued: July 27, 2026
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

		
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