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August 20, 2015

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Re: In the Matter of the Application of Minnesota Power for a Route Permit

for the great Northern Transmission Line Project in Roseau, Lake of the

Woods, Beltrami, Koochiching, and Itasca Counties

OAH 65-2500-31637 MPUC E-015/TL-14-21

Dear Ms. Jensen.

I am in receipt of your letter brief dated August 19, 2015, as well as the Affidavit of Bill Storm attached thereto. While Mr. Storm's Affidavit is helpful, I do request that if the Notice Letter was sent to the 24 newly-affected landowners as explained by Mr. Storm in his Affidavit, then an Affidavit of Service by Caren Warner should be immediately filed in eDockets to reflect that service. Such Affidavit will document that service was actually completed on February 9, 2015. Otherwise, there is no official documentation that such notice was provided, even if such letter was not required by statute or law.

I want to ensure that these additional 24 newly-affected landowners received timely and adequate notice of the potential impact on their properties. A simple Affidavit of Service from Ms. Warner should evidence the service, if such service occurred. Perhaps there is a reason why you did not include such Affidavit of Ms. Warner in your filing, and, if so, please explain.

The DOC-EERA may have until **Friday**, **August 21**, **2015**, to supplement the record with that Affidavit of Service. If additional time is necessary, please let me know and we can extend the deadline to file.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

s/Ann C. O'Reilly

ANN C. O'REILLY Administrative Law Judge

cc: Carol Overland, Esq.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Katie Lin, certifies that on August 20, 2015 she served the **CORRESPONDENCE TO MS. JENSEN** by eService, and U.S. Mail, (in the manner indicated below) to the following individuals:

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