

APPENDIX B

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Dr. Burl Haar
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
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Re: In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Application for a Certificate of Need and Route Permit for a 115 Kilovolt Transmission Line from the Appleton Substation to the Canby Substation
Docket No. E017/CN-06-677

Dear Dr. Haar:

In accordance with the requirement of Minnesota Rules part 4400.2000, subpart 2, Otter Tail Power Company hereby notifies the Public Utilities Commission that it intends to file an application for a route permit for a 42-mile long 115 kilovolt line from the Appleton Substation in Swift County to the Canby Substation in Yellow Medicine County pursuant to the procedures under the alternative permitting process set forth in Minnesota Rules parts 4400.2000 to 4400.2950.

Otter Tail Power intends to file the Route Permit Application around the end of August. We will also file an application for a Certificate of Need for the transmission line at the same time. We will work with the Department of Commerce staff to address any comments or questions they have to expedite their review of the application and completion of an environmental assessment.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact me at 218-739-8416. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Al Koeckeritz", with a long, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Al Koeckeritz
Project Manager
Otter Tail Power Company

cc: Jeffrey Haase, Department of Commerce
Alan Mitchell, Esq, Lindquist & Vennum