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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

Programs and Project Management Division
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SUBJECT: Proposed Minnesota to Iowa 345 kV Transmission Line Project
ITC Midwest, LLC and Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
Commission Docket No. ET6675/TL-12-1337

Mr. Ray Kirsch
Environmental Review Manager
Energy Facility Permitting
85 7th Place East, Suite 500
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-2198

Dear Mr. Kirsch:

We are replying to your April 2, 2013, letter regarding the proposed Minnesota to Iowa 345kV transmission line project beginning near Lakefield in Jackson County, Minnesota and extending south to the Kossuth substation in Kossuth County, Iowa.

The potential transmission line routes as outlined in your letter will not affect any existing Corps of Engineers projects within the Saint Paul District, Rock Island District, or Omaha District Civil Works boundaries. We do not anticipate future impacts to any Corps of Engineers projects within these District's Civil Works boundaries.

The proposed project is located within the Saint Paul District's Regulatory jurisdiction and the Rock Island District's Regulatory jurisdiction. You should coordinate with Mr. Michael Setering at the Saint Paul Regulatory Office, Corps of Engineers, 180 5th Street East, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-1678, concerning permit requirements for the Saint Paul District. You should coordinate with the Rock Island Regulatory Office, Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEMVR-OD, Clock Tower Building, P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, Illinois, 61204-2004, concerning permit requirements for the Rock Island District.

A copy of your letter has been forwarded to Mr. Setering of the Saint Paul District Regulatory office and the Rock Island District Regulatory office. Please note that this letter does not eliminate the need for State, local, or other authorizations, such as those of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

Sincerely,

Aaron M. Snyder, PMP
Chief, Project Management Branch (PM-B)

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