APPENDIX F

SHPO LETTER

Minnesota
Historical Society

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

December 24, 2012

Mr. Daniel McCourtney
Siting & Permitting Department
ALLETE/Minnesota Power
30 West Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55802-2093

RE: Minnesota Power Deer River HVTL Project: construct a .7-mile 115 kV transmission line, a .2-mile 230 kV line, and a substation; remove 7 miles of existing line between Deer River and Cohasset
Itasca County
SHPO Number: 2013-0833

Dear Mr. McCourtney:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the above project. It has been reviewed pursuant to the responsibilities given the Minnesota Historical Society by the Minnesota Historic Sites Act and the Minnesota Field Archaeology Act.

Based on our review of the project information, we conclude that there are **no properties** listed in the National or State Registers of Historic Places, and no known or suspected archaeological properties in the area that will be affected by this project.

Please note that this comment letter does not address the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and 36CFR800, Procedures of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for the protection of historic properties. If this project is considered for federal assistance, or requires a federal permit or license, it should be submitted to our office by the responsible federal agency.

Please contact our Compliance Section at (651) 259-3455 if you have any questions regarding our review of this project.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Heidemann, Manager
Government Programs and Compliance