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June 28, 2011

Dr. Burl W Haar
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: Moorhead Public Service/Clay County 115kV Transmission and Substation Project

Dear Dr. Haar:

In accordance with the Power Plant Siting Act, Minnesota Statutes Section 216E.05, Subd. 3, this letter is to provide official notice to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission that Moorhead Public Service (MPS) has elected to seek local approval for the construction of a new 115kV transmission line and substation in Moorhead, Minnesota.

The project includes constructing 7.5 miles of 115kV transmission line and a substation. The transmission line is located entirely within the limits of Clay County, Minnesota, with a majority of the line located outside the city limits of Moorhead. The new facilities are being constructed to improve the reliability of MPS' system. Enclosed are drawings that show the planned route of the new line.

The City of Moorhead and Clay County have discussed the project and have agreed that Clay County will take the lead as the Responsible Governmental Unit. Therefore, MPS will permit the project through the Clay County conditional use permit process.

Any questions regarding the conditional use permit or conditional use permit process should be directed to Tim Magnusson, Planning Director, Clay County, at 218-299-5002, and any questions regarding the project should be directed to me at 218-299-5404.

Sincerely,

Bill Schwandt

Bill Schwandt, PE MBA
General Manager

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cc Tim Magnusson, Planning Director, Clay County

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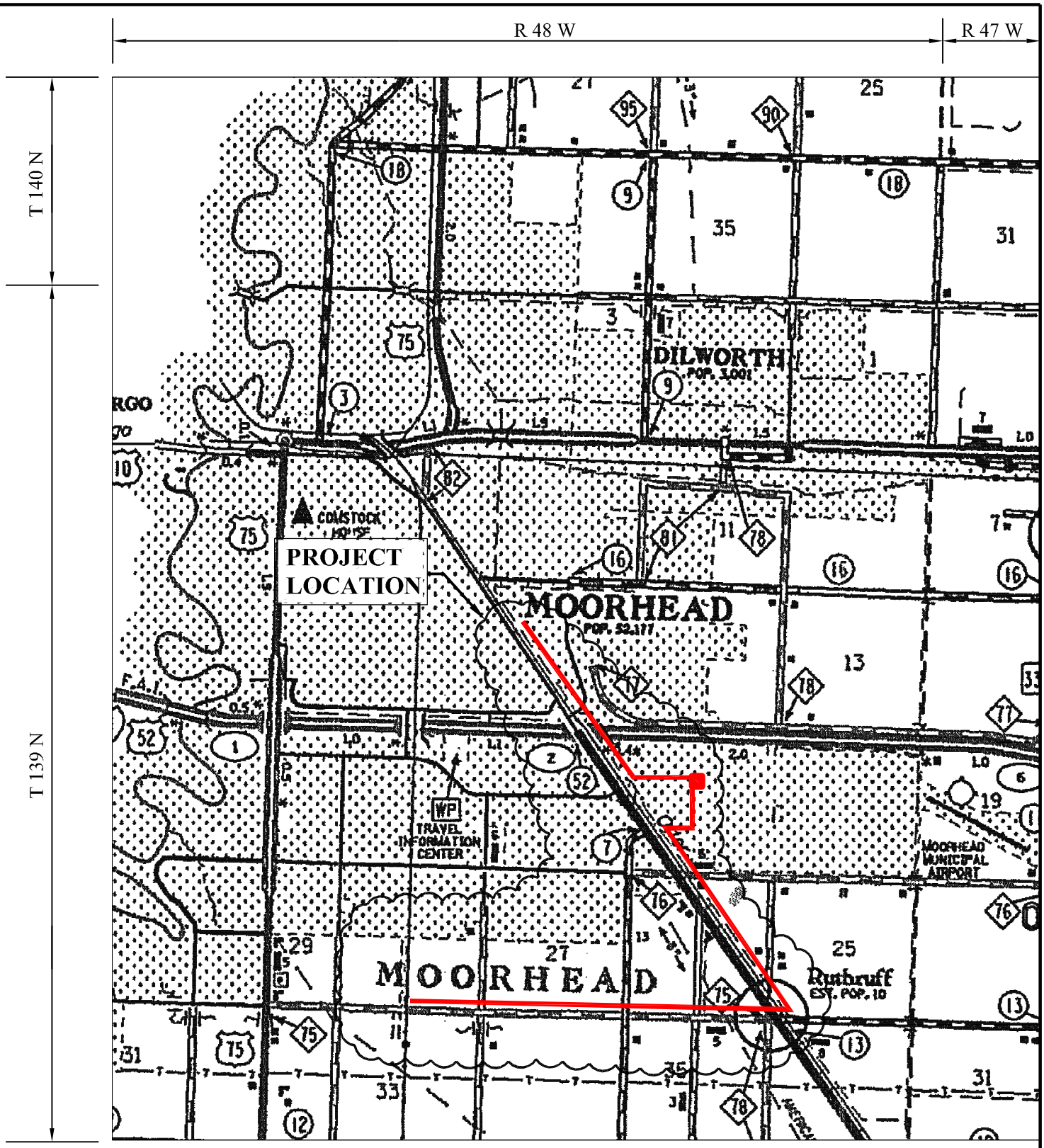

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Proposed 115 kV Transmission Line

Proposed 115 kV Substation

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PROJECT LOCATION MAP
115 KV TRANSMISSION LINE

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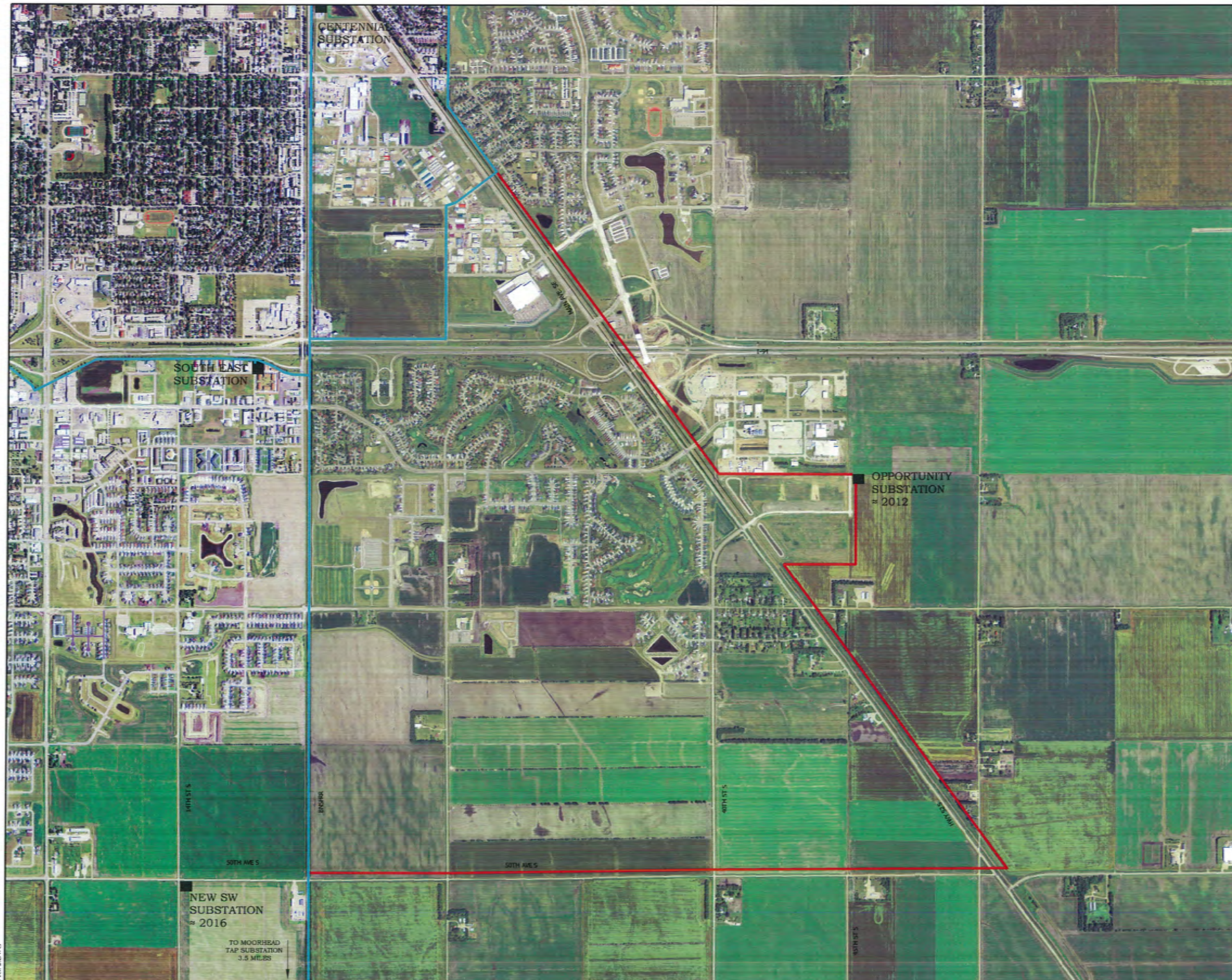

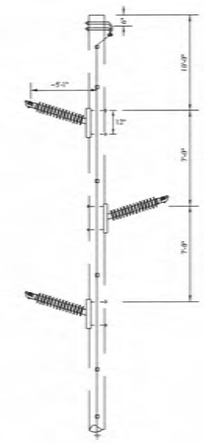

115 KV TRANSMISSION LINE TANGENT STR. W/HLP

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- Existing 115 KV transmission line
- Proposed 115 KV transmission line Route 1(6.6 miles)
- Substation Site

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SCALE (FT.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAN, SPECIFICATION OR REPORT WAS PREPARED BY ME, OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION, AND THAT I AM A DULY LICENSED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

BY Dennis J. Haselhoff, P.E.

LICENSE NO. 40275 DATE: 5/25/11

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PROPOSED TRANSMISSION LINE ROUTING

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