

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company
on Behalf of Big Stone II Co-Owners for an
Energy Conversion Facility Permit for the
Construction of the Big Stone II Project

Docket No. EL 05-022

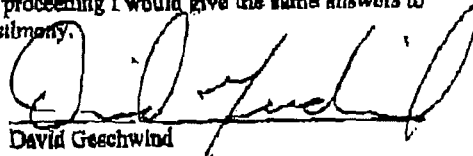
AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID GESCHWIND

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
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COUNTY OF Clayton)

David Geschwind being first duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states as follows:

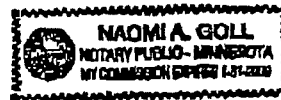
1. My name is David Geschwind. I am employed as the Chief Operating Officer at the Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency.
2. I have prepared direct testimony in this proceeding which has been marked as Applicant's Exhibit 5.
3. I have reviewed my direct testimony. There are no changes or corrections which need to be made at this time to my testimony.
4. If I were called to provide testimony in this proceeding I would give the same answers to the questions as are set forth in my direct testimony.

Dated this 22 day of June, 2006.


David Geschwind

Sworn to before me this 22 day
of June, 2006.

Naomi A. Goll
Notary Public
State of Minnesota



My Commission Expires: 1-31-2009