

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

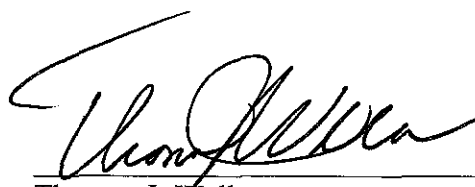
In the Matter of the Transmission Permit for the
Big Stone South to Ellendale Project

EL13-028

**APPLICANTS' FILING OF
COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITION 17:
SCN SAMPLING AND MITIGATION
PLAN**

Applicants Otter Tail Power Company and Montana Dakota Utilities Co. (“collectively Applicants”), through their attorneys, respectfully submit this filing establishing their compliance with Condition 17, as amended by the Commission’s August 22, 2014, Order, of the of the facility permit for the Big Stone South to Ellendale Project (“the Project”). Condition 17 required Applicants to develop and implement a sampling plan as well as a mitigation plan relating to soy bean cyst nematode (“SCN”). The Project’s required sampling plan and mitigation plan are detailed in the two attached memoranda: Soybean Cyst Nematode Sample Methodology and Test Results Memo dated June 30, 2015 (Exhibit 1); BSSE Soybean Cyst Nematode Construction Mitigation Memo dated June 30, 2015 (Exhibit 2); and Approval of SCN Testing and Mitigation Measures (Exhibit 3).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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