# **Qualifications, Duties and Responsibilities of Bruce Gerhardson**

# **EMPLOYMENT**

Vice President, Regulatory Affairs – Otter Tail Power Company

October 2017-Present

Executive leadership over regulatory affairs, market planning and strategic planning

<u>Director</u>, Regulatory Affairs and Compliance – Otter Tail Power Company

April 2017-October 2017

Executive Leadership over regulatory economics, administration, proceedings and compliance

Associate General Counsel - Otter Tail Power Company, Fergus Falls, MN

2000-April 2017

Lead Counsel for regulatory affairs and administrative proceedings. Chief Compliance Counsel. Staff of eight advocacy and compliance personnel, including the Manager of Regulatory Economics and the Manager of Regulatory Proceedings and Compliance.

Partner - Svingen, Athens, Russell and Hagstrom Law Firm, Fergus Falls, MN

1995-2000

Comprehensive legal representation of individual clients, with public utility and agribusiness focus. Regulatory proceedings, project development and other transactions.

### **EDUCATION**

### University of Minnesota Law School

JD Cum Laude 1995. Judicial Extern for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court; Summer Associate at Pemberton, Sorlie, Rufer & Kershner Law Firm, Fergus Falls, Minnesota

# University of Minnesota-Duluth

Graduate Work, English Literature and Writing 1990-1992; Fellowships and Teaching Assistantships in Writing and Literature

### St. Olaf College

BA Cum Laude, English 1988; Semester Abroad at University of Aberdeen, Scotland

Fergus Falls Community College

AA Liberal Arts 1985

#### **INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS**

Law licenses in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota

# **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Minnesota State Bar Assn. Public Utility Law Section Council
- Fergus Area College Foundation Board-Past President
- Otter Tail County United Way-Past Campaign Co-Chair
- Fergus Falls Sister City Commission (Sister City relationship with Nordhordland, Norway)