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Joint Application of Dairyland Power Cooperative, Northern States Power Company - Wisconsin, and Wisconsin Public Power, Inc., for Authority to Construct and Place in Service 345 kV Electric Transmission Lines and Electric Substation Facilities for the CapX Twin Cities - Rochester - La Crosse Project, Located in Buffalo, Trempealeau, and La Crosse Counties, Wisconsin 5-CE-136

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Prehearing Conference Date: Monday, December 5, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

Conference Location: Amnicon Falls Hearing Room – 1st Floor,

Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way Madison, Wisconsin

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will hold a prehearing conference in this docket on Monday, December 5, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

This prehearing conference provides an opportunity to comment on: (1) who, other than parties already identified, will actively participate as parties, (2) the issues, (3) the schedule, and (4) any other matter that will facilitate the proceeding. Parties will be bound by the designation of issues and the schedule adopted at the prehearing conference.

DOCUMENTS. All documents in this docket are filed on the Commission's Electronic Regulatory Filing (ERF) system. To view these documents: (1) go to the Commission's web site at http://psc.wi.gov, (2) enter "5-CE-136" in the box labeled "Link Directly to a Case," and (3) select "GO."

MEET AND CONFER. By Friday, December 2, 2011, existing parties, persons who have requested intervention by 12 noon Friday, November 25, 2011, and Commission staff shall share with each other a proposed schedule and to the extent possible either come to an agreement, or be prepared to discuss any disagreement, with respect to the schedule and issues.

The following is the proposed issues upon which the Commission may make findings of fact and conclusions of law for the purpose of determining whether to grant in whole or in part the application, and if so, under what terms and conditions:

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1. Does the project comply with the standards applicable to an application to construct a high-voltage transmission line found in Wis. Stat. §§ 1.11, 1.12, 196.025, and 196.491, and Wis. Admin. Code chs. PSC 4, 111, and 112?

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this docket or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the docket coordinator listed below. Any hearing location is accessible to people in wheelchairs. The Public Service Commission Building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building.

CONTACT. Please direct questions about this docket or requests for additional accommodations for the disabled to the Commission's docket coordinator, James Lepinski, at (608) 266-0478 or <u>jim.lepinski@wisconsin.gov</u>.

Tuesday, November 15, 2011

Michael E. Newmark Administrative Law Judge

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