



**MEDIA ADVISORY**  
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### **PSC To Host Electric Reliability Conference in Fargo**

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will be hosting a conference in Fargo titled “Electric Reliability: Keeping the Lights on in North Dakota.” The event will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 10.

The purpose of the event is to evaluate the generation adequacy in our state and region and consider the issues/challenges involved in meeting growing demand for electricity while at the same time adjusting to the new CO2 regulatory limits being proposed by EPA. Information gathered from the event will be used when preparing the Commission’s comments on the EPA’s proposed CO2 rules. Comments are due by Oct. 16, 2014.

Speakers for the event will include:

- PSC Commissioners Brian P. Kalk, Randy Christmann and Julie Fedorchak
- Honorable Tony Clark, Commissioner, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Gerry W. Cauley, President and CEO, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Priti Patel, Regional Executive for the North Region, Midcontinent Independent Systems Operator, Inc.

When: Wednesday, Sept. 10 – 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Where: Cass County Electric Cooperative  
4100 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. S  
Fargo, N.D.

Note to the media: A copy of the agenda is attached.

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**Electric Reliability:  
Keeping the Lights On in North Dakota  
September 10, 2014**

Location: Cass County Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
4100 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave S  
Fargo, North Dakota 58104

Agenda:

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome/Opening Remarks
- Commissioners Brian P. Kalk, Randy Christmann and Julie Fedorchak
  - Brad Schmidt, Vice President of Engineering and Operations  
Cass County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- 9:15 p.m. Federal Perspective
- Honorable Tony Clark, Commissioner,  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. NERC Regional Power Supply Assessment and EPA 111(d)
- Gerry W. Cauley, President and CEO  
North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- 11:00 a.m. MISO Generation Resource Adequacy Survey and 111(d) modeling
- Priti Patel, Regional Executive for the North Region,  
Midcontinent Independent Systems Operator, Inc.
- 11:45 a.m. Regional Utility Generation Round Table Discussion
- Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.
  - Great River Energy
  - Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.
  - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
  - Otter Tail Power Company
  - Xcel Energy
- 1:00 p.m. Closing Remarks