## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### **Tentative Agenda**

# **ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE**

### Wednesday, March 5, 2008 North Central Research Extension Center Minot, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Roll call Call to order Consideration of the minutes of the previous meeting
- 9:10 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Susan Wefald, Commissioner, Public Service Commission, on recent activities of the Public Service Commission, including rules relating to decommissioning of wind towers
- 9:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative council staff on wind tower siting laws
- 9:50 a.m. Break
- 10:05 a.m. Testimony by Representatives Phillip Mueller and Jon Nelson on wind tower siting
- 10:20 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Brad Crabtree, Spring Valley Township, Dickey County, on legislative considerations for wind energy development and wind farm siting
- 10:40 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Xcel Energy, Inc., on wind siting issues
- 10:50 a.m. Comments by interested persons
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Basin Electric Power Cooperative on the wind-to-hydrogen project
- 11:20 a.m. Tour of wind tower and hydrogen processing facility
- 12:20 p.m. Luncheon recess
- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Representative Nelson on the Powering the Plains Project
- 1:40 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Crabtree, Program Director, Great Plains Institute, on the Powering the Plains Project
- 2:00 p.m. Comments by interested persons
- 2:15 p.m. Committee discussion
- 2:30 p.m. Leave for tour of ADM canola crush and biodiesel plant in Velva
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Senators Rich Wardner (Chairman), John M. Andrist, Robert M. Horne, Ryan M. Taylor, Ben Tollefson, Herbert Urlacher

Representatives Wesley R. Belter, Scot Kelsh, Matthew M. Klein, Shirley Meyer, Todd Porter, Dave Weiler