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PSC Schedules Public Hearing for Proposed Expansion of the Pioneer Generation Station in Williams County

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 5, regarding a proposal to expand the capacity of the Pioneer Generation Station in Williams County.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative is requesting a siting permit for two 235.7 megawatt simple cycle combustion turbines, six 18.8 megawatt reciprocating internal combustion engines, and associated facilities as an addition to the Pioneer Generation Station. The project would generate up to 583 megawatts of natural gas power. Estimated cost of the project is \$670 million.

The Pioneer Generation Station is located northwest of Williston, N.D. (Note to the media: A map showing the proposed location of the project has been provided to you for use with any announcements/stories you print.)

Details for the public hearing are as follows:

- **Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 – 9 a.m. Central**
- **Williston City Hall, John Kautzman Chamber Room**
22 East Broadway
Williston, ND 58802

The hearing provides an opportunity for members of the public to contribute to the PSC's official record. Any comments from members of the public must be received at the hearing to be part of the record. People with concerns, questions or support/opposition for the project are encouraged to attend the hearing and present their information. Information received after the hearing will not be part of the official record and cannot be used as a basis for the Commission's decision unless certain additional procedures are followed.

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