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OFFICE OF ENERGY PROJECTS

In Reply Refer To:
OEP/DG2E/Gas Branch 4
Northern Natural Gas Company
Northern Lights 2021 Expansion Project
Docket No. CP20-503-000

November 4, 2021

VIA FERC Service

Mike Loeffler
Sr. Director, Certificates and External Affairs
Northern Natural Gas Company
P.O. Box 3330
Omaha, NE 68103-0330

Re: Authorization to Commence Service

Dear Mr. Loeffler:

I grant your November 3, 2021 request for Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) to place into service the Viking Interconnect Branch Line and Pierz Interconnect (Viking Interconnect) in Morrison County, Minnesota, associated with the Northern Lights 2021 Expansion Project.

Your request is in compliance with environmental condition 10 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's May 20, 2021 *Order Issuing Certificate and Approving Abandonment* (Order) issued in the above-referenced docket. Based on Northern's biweekly construction status reports and photo documentation, I find that Northern has adequately stabilized the workspaces associated with the Viking Interconnect portion and that restoration is progressing satisfactorily.

I remind you that Northern must comply with all remaining terms and conditions of the Order. If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Doug Cotton at (202) 502-6590.

Sincerely,

J. Rich McGuire
Director, Division of Gas –
Environment and Engineering