

Sixty-second
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2196

Introduced by

Senators Wardner, Christmann, Lyson

Representatives Brandenburg, DeKrey, Porter

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 49-22-03 and subsection 1 of
2 section 49-22-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of energy
3 conversion facility and to siting application fees.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 5 of section 49-22-03 of the North Dakota Century
6 Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 5. "Energy conversion facility" means any plant, addition, or combination of plant and
8 addition, designed for or capable of:

- 9 a. Generation by wind energy conversion exceeding one-half megawatt of
10 electricity;
11 b. Generation by any means other than wind energy conversion exceeding sixty-five
12 megawatts of electricity;
13 ~~b.c.~~ c. Manufacture or refinement of one hundred million cubic feet [2831684.66 cubic
14 meters] or more of gas per day, regardless of the end use of the gas;
15 ~~e.d.~~ d. Manufacture or refinement of fifty thousand barrels [7949.36 cubic meters] or
16 more of liquid hydrocarbon products per day; or
17 ~~d.e.~~ e. Enrichment of uranium minerals.

18 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 49-22-22 of the North Dakota Century
19 Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 20 1. ~~Every applicant for a certificate of site compatibility under this chapter shall pay to the~~
21 ~~commission an application fee in:~~
22 a. An applicant for a certificate of site compatibility shall pay an amount equal to five
23 hundred dollars for each one million dollars of investment in the proposed facility

as defined in the federal energy regulatory commission uniform system of accounts. ~~Every~~

~~b. An applicant for a certificate of corridor compatibility shall pay to the commission an application fee in an amount equal to five thousand dollars for each one million dollars of investment in the proposed facility as defined in the federal energy regulatory commission uniform system of accounts. Every~~

~~c. An applicant for a waiver shall pay to the commission an application fee in the amount which would be required for an application for a certificate of site or corridor compatibility for the proposed facility. If a waiver is not granted for a proposed facility, such application fee paid shall be allowed as a credit against fees payable under this section in connection with an application under this chapter for a certificate or permit for the proposed facility.~~

~~d. An applicant for a transfer of a certificate or permit shall pay an amount to be determined by the commission to cover anticipated expenses of processing the application.~~

~~e. An applicant certifying to the commission under subsection 3 of section 49-22-03 shall pay an amount to be determined by the commission to cover anticipated expenses of processing the application.~~

~~f. The application fee under this subsection shall not be less than five thousand dollars nor more than one hundred thousand dollars.~~