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PSC to Hold Public Outreach Meeting on Alliant Energy's Proposed Power Plant

MADISON – The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) will hold a public outreach meeting in Portage on Monday, February 11 regarding an application from Alliant Energy to build a new electric power plant.

In early 2007, Alliant Energy filed an application with the PSC for permission to build a new 300 megawatt coal-fired electric generation facility. Alliant Energy has indentified two possible locations for the power plant – their Nelson Dewey Generating Station property in Cassville and the Columbia Energy Center in Portage. The PSC has the authority to approve, deny or modify any proposed electric construction project. To ensure a full and complete record, the PSC follows a process outlined by state law for every case. Part of this process is to perform a thorough environmental review and to gather input from the public.

Citizens are invited to attend this outreach session to learn about the PSC's regulatory process and to provide input that will help in the environmental review process. Representatives from the PSC, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be available at this meeting to answer questions members of the public may have. The session will be in an open house format and is scheduled for:

**Monday, February 11, 2008
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
City of Portage Municipal Building
115 West Pleasant Street
Portage, WI 53907**

If the public cannot attend the meeting, but would like to provide comments or ask questions related to Alliant Energy's application, they can do so on the PSC's website at <http://psc.wi.gov>. The docket number, 6680-CE-170, is required to access the proposed project's comment page. The public can also contact the PSC at P.O. Box 7854; Madison, WI 53707-7854 or by calling the docket coordinator, Christine Swales, at 608-267-8776.

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Documents associated with Alliant Energy's application, including more details on the proposed project and directions to the public outreach session, can be viewed on the PSC's Electronic Regulatory Filing System at <http://psc.wi.gov>. Type case number 6680-CE-170 into the boxes provided on the PSC homepage. A copy of the outreach meeting invitation can also be accessed on the PSC's website at: http://psc.wi.gov/apps/erf_share/view/viewdoc.aspx?docid=88336.

PLEASE NOTE: The PSC also held an identical public outreach session near the proposed Cassville site. This meeting was held on Wednesday, January 30th at the Cassville Elementary School.

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