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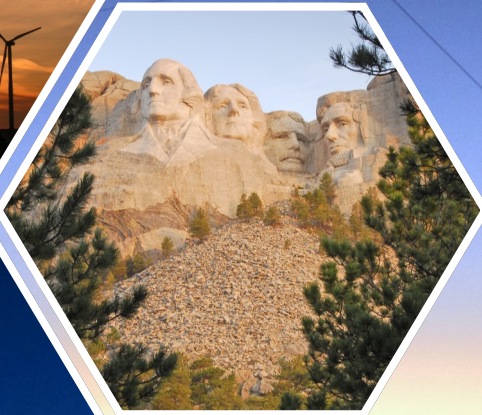




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ABOUT THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

South Dakotans elect their three Public Utilities Commissioners to staggered, six-year terms. A dedicated staff of analysts, attorneys, consumer representatives and other professionals work with the commissioners to carry out the duties of the PUC. The PUC's website, www.puc.sd.gov, contains a wealth of information including audio webcasts and recordings of meetings and hearings.

UTILITY REGULATION

The commission regulates investor-owned electric, natural gas and telephone utilities. The PUC ensures utility companies in South Dakota provide safe and reliable service and that investor-owned companies do so with just and reasonable rates. It plays a more limited regulatory role with respect to wireless communication companies and cooperative, independent and municipal utilities.

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

The PUC helps resolve disputes between customers and their utilities, operates the South Dakota Do Not Call registry and administers the state's One Call notification center (call before you dig). The commission also operates the natural gas pipeline safety program and licenses and inspects state public grain warehouses and grain buyers.

ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION

The commission advocates for smart energy and telecommunications policy at state and federal levels and works hard to educate consumers about ways to save energy and money (www.SDEnergySmart.com). The PUC acts as a resource to landowners, communities and developers for both renewable energy development (www.SDWind.com) and for the build-out of our state's wireless telecommunications networks.

INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY

The commission's main website, www.puc.sd.gov, is chock-full of information ranging from utility company phone numbers to summaries of regulatory filings. The commission offers live audio webcasts of dozens of proceedings, including commission meetings and hearings. All audio files are archived for later reference and convenience. The website also contains a comprehensive docket system that encompasses thousands of pages frequently used by PUC commissioners, staff and the public. The website is a valuable resource to utilities, attorneys, consultants and citizens interested in the work of the PUC.

PUC on the World Wide Web

www.SDDoNotCall.com includes an overview of how consumers can add their personal phone numbers to the national registry to decrease the amount of telemarketing calls they receive. The site also describes how telemarketing companies doing business in South Dakota need to comply with applicable statutes and rules.

www.SDEnergySmart.com is a guide for South Dakota consumers to become more energy efficient. The site includes links to the state's utility providers that are partners in the South Dakota Energy Smart initiative.

www.SDOneCall.com includes an electronic ticketing system for excavators and others who use the Call Before You Dig notification service and an index of complaints, among other important information. In 2014, the PUC maintained the site for the One Call Board.

www.SDWind.com has information about wind energy.

SOUTH DAKOTA'S PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS

Chris Nelson is currently the chairman of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. Chris was appointed Jan. 8, 2011, by Gov. Dennis Daugaard to fill a vacancy on the commission and was elected by South Dakota voters in November 2012 to continue his service for the remaining four years of the term. Chris served as the PUC's chairman in 2012 and vice chairman in 2011, 2013 and 2014.

He is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, serving as chairman of the association's Committee on Telecommunications. Additionally, Chris has been appointed to the NARUC Task Force on Federalism and Telecommunications. He has been appointed by the Federal Communications Commission to the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, representing the interests of NARUC.

Previously, Chris served as Secretary of State having been elected in the 2002 general election. Chris was unopposed for reelection in 2006 which was the first time the office was unopposed in the history of South Dakota.

Prior to becoming Secretary of State, Chris held the position of state election supervisor in the Secretary of State's office for 13 years and was uniform commercial code supervisor in the same office for two years.

As Secretary of State, Chris received the 2010 Excellent Service to South Dakota County Officials award from the South Dakota County Officials Association, the 2004 Hazeltine/Taylor award from South Dakota Kids Voting, and the 2003 Excellence in South Dakota Municipal Government award from the South Dakota Municipal League. In 2005, Chris was appointed as a National Governors Association representative on the United States Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors.

Under Chris's leadership the secretary of state's office was awarded the Election Center's 2009 Professional Practices Program State Award. This annual award is given as recognition for the most outstanding election administration professional practice in the nation. The award recognizes the 2008 development and implementation of a new central election reporting system for the state.

Following graduation from White Lake High School, Chris earned a bachelor's degree in animal science, with highest honors, from South Dakota State University in 1987.

Chris is actively involved in his church and counts agriculture and hunting as two areas of personal interest. He maintains a part-time cattle operation. Chris, his wife Penny and daughter Rebekah reside in Pierre.



**Chairman
Chris Nelson**

**Appointed 2011, Elected 2012
Term ends 2017**

Kristie Fiegen currently serves as the vice chairperson of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. She was appointed to the PUC by Gov. Dennis Daugaard on Aug. 9, 2011, to fill a vacancy on the commission. Kristie was then elected to the commission in November 2012, to serve a six-year term. She previously served as vice chairperson of the PUC in 2012. She is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' Committee on Gas and Subcommittee on Pipeline Safety. Kristie provides guidance related to the interests of the public and gas consumers to the Gas Technology Institute as a member of GTI's Public Interest Advisory Committee.



Vice Chairperson Kristie Fiegen

Appointed 2011, Elected 2012
Term ends 2019

Prior to joining the PUC, Kristie was the president of Junior Achievement of South Dakota for 17 years and was recognized as the top Junior Achievement USA President in 2008. Under Kristie's leadership, participation in Junior Achievement increased from 2,400 to more than 44,000 students annually and her team was named among the top eight franchises in the country nine times. Kristie's career also includes serving as the South Dakota area manager for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for nine years and as a sales representative for Monsanto Company.

Kristie's public service career includes four terms in the South Dakota House of Representatives, from 1993 to 2001. While a legislator, she served as chair of the House Health and Human Service Committee.

She has been active in Rotary, the United Way and Toastmasters, and is an active member of Central Baptist Church.

Kristie earned a bachelor's degree in commercial economics and agricultural business from South Dakota State University and a master's degree in business administration from the University of South Dakota. She grew up on her family's farm near Chancellor, S.D., and is a graduate of Parker High School. Kristie and her husband, Tim, live in Sioux Falls with their sons, Alexander and Jackson.



Public Utilities Commissioners Chris Nelson, Kristie Fiegen and Gary Hanson

SOUTH DAKOTA'S PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS

Gary Hanson was elected to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in 2002 and re-elected in November 2008 and November 2014. He served as the commission's chairman in 2005, 2008, 2011, 2013 and 2014. Gary represents South Dakota on the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' Committee on Electricity. He served on the executive committee and as treasurer of the Organization of MISO States, is a member of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference, and represented the nation's NARUC commissioners on the steering committee of the National Wind Coordinating Collaborative and is a member of the Advisory Council for New Mexico State University's Center for Public Utilities.

Gary has served as chairman of the South Dakota Underground Pipeline Task Force, as member of Gov. Mike Rounds' Task Force on Wind Development, South Dakota's Energy Task Force, and Gov. George S. Mickelson's Cumulative Environmental Evaluation of Black Hills Mining Task Force. His service to the state also includes three terms in the South Dakota Senate where he was chairman of the committees of Bonding and of Government Audit and Operations, and vice chairman of the Taxation Committee.

A native of Sioux Falls, Gary was twice elected as mayor of that city and oversaw multiple departmental operations of more than 1,200 employees.

Prior to serving as mayor, Gary was Sioux Falls' utilities commissioner for six years and was responsible for the development and day-to-day activities for three municipal utilities. He owned several businesses before elected office and is a licensed real estate auctioneer, appraiser and broker.

As a regional and industry leader, Gary is co-founder, past president, chairman, and often referred to as the father of the Lewis and Clark Regional Water System. He was chairman of the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance, and president of the Sioux Falls Board of Realtors. He has served on the boards of directors of Lutheran Social Services Credit Counseling Advisory Board, DAV Arthur H. Muchow Independent Living Center, Sioux Falls Jaycees, Northern State University Foundation, Minnehaha Metro Communications Systems, South Dakota Water Congress, and Sister Cities Association. Gary was instrumental in the founding of the Multicultural Center in Sioux Falls, the Great Plains Waicipi, Community Drug Concerns Task Force, as well as endowments for the Sioux Falls Pavilion and the Great Plains Zoo.

Awards and honors received by Gary include being named Distinguished Alumnus of Northern State University, Sioux Falls' City Father of the Year, YMCA Tri-State Hall of Fame, International Lions Club Melvin Jones Fellow, Outstanding Young Citizen of South Dakota, Habitat for Humanity's Hat's Off Award, Spirit of Downtown Sioux Falls Award, White Cane Safety Award, Multiple Sclerosis Society Chapter's Mayor of the Year, Children's Care Hospital Wings of Love Award, DAV's Outstanding Legislator Award, and Life Member of Lions Club Sight and Service Foundation.

He has regularly shared his passion for athletics as a volunteer coach for a variety of youth sports. Gary actively pursues a number of interests including astronomy, carpentry, car engines, birding, genealogy, hunting, fishing, skydiving, SCUBA diving, spelunking, camping, history and sports.

Gary and his wife, Sandy, make their home in Sioux Falls and Pierre. The couple has three children and seven grandchildren.



**Commissioner
Gary Hanson**

Elected 2002 , 2008, 2014
Term ends 2021

PUC STAFF

The PUC's 27 staff members perform a variety of duties on behalf of the citizens of South Dakota and in support of the commission.

As executive director, **Patricia Van Gerpen** is responsible for the overall management of the PUC staff and day-to-day operation of the agency. She makes docket and project assignments and is the liaison between the commissioners and staff on all issues. Patty also works directly on a number of legislative, strategic planning and policy initiatives.

Leah Mohr, deputy executive director, schedules hearings and various meetings for the commission. She is also the chief writer and editor for the PUC's websites, outreach materials and news releases; handles media inquiries; and coordinates logistics for informational and educational meetings. She supervises the commission's administrative support staff.

Cindy Kemnitz, finance manager, is responsible for the commission's fiscal activities including administrative functions related to the gross receipts tax, the regulatory assessment fee fund and the telephone solicitor registry. She prepares and monitors budgets and handles accounting, payroll and purchasing duties. She also prepares the commission's meeting agendas.

Sigrid Wald serves as the communications specialist. She assists with the development of educational materials and news releases, meeting and event coordination and website maintenance.

Advising the commissioners are **John Smith**, general counsel; **Greg Rislov**, commission advisor; and **Rolayne Ailts Wiest**, commission counsel. The attorneys also serve as hearing examiners and represent the commission in state and federal courts and before federal regulatory agencies. Rolayne's additional specialties are advising about federal regulation and policies and state legislation and administrative rules. Greg provides policy and technical consultation and research support regarding major regulatory issues.

Administrative staff members perform a variety of support services including handling incoming phone calls and mail and greeting guests. Each staff member has specific duties that keep the PUC running smoothly. **Tina Douglas** is the web specialist with primary responsibility for maintaining the PUC's electronic dockets as well as each of the websites the commission operates. **Katlyn Gustafson** schedules and coordinates meeting logistics, travel and training. **Joy Lashley** assists with the preparation of legal documents, distributes meeting agendas and weekly filings, and coordinates mailings.

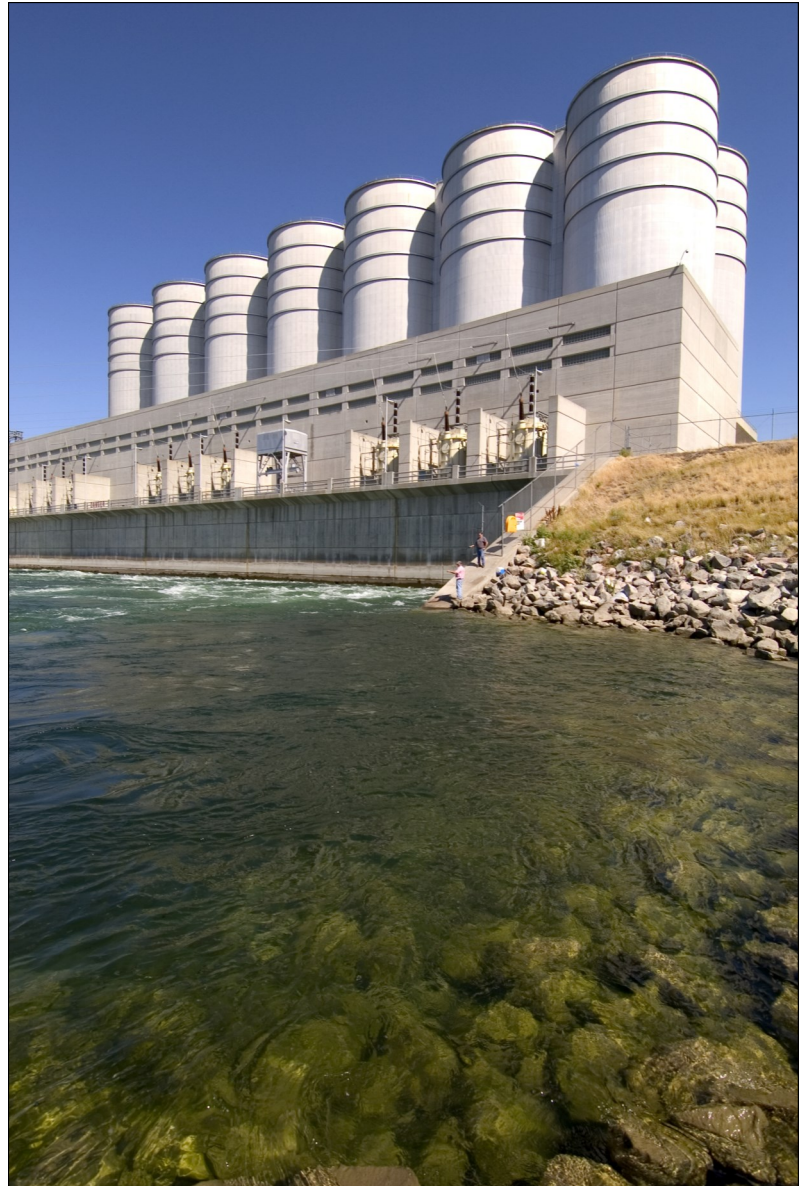
Staff analysts are responsible for investigating, analyzing, evaluating and presenting testimony regarding issues and policies related to the electric, natural gas and telecommunications industries as regulated by the commission. Their educational and professional background includes expertise in accounting, economics, research and engineering. **Brittany Mehlhaff**, **Eric Paulson**, **Joeseh Rezac** and **Patrick Steffensen** use these skills to focus on quality of service, financial and rate matters as they work to understand and evaluate complex rate structures, earning requirements, and technical issues of various utility organizations. **Darren Kearney** and **Brian Rounds** are analysts with similar skills who primarily concentrate on emerging technologies such as renewable energy, wireless telecommunications and energy efficiency efforts. They also engage in outreach activities to consumers, industry representatives and students and provide docket analysis as assigned.

Karen Cremer and **Kristen Edwards** are staff attorneys with practical experience in administrative law, trial procedure and business management principles. They review filings by utilities and represent the staff in proceedings before the commission. They work closely with staff analysts as they develop recommendations for policy, rate, siting and enforcement matters. They coordinate the presentation of the staff's case and cross-examine other parties who submit testimony. Kristen also serves as the staff attorney assigned to South Dakota One Call matters for which legal support is requested.

The Pipeline Safety Program is staffed by engineers **Mary Zanter** and **Boice Hillmer** with Mary handling additional duties as program manager. The PUC administers the program on behalf of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Mary and Boice inspect and investigate intrastate natural gas pipelines, master meters and propane systems to ensure the public is provided safe and dependable gas service. The two also analyze utility dockets as assigned.

Jim Mehlhaff is the director of the Grain Warehouse Division that works to protect property rights of customers and safeguard payments to grain producers. **Judy Page** assists with the issuance of warehouse and grain dealer licenses. **Justin Blais** and **Paul Kenefick-Aschoff** conduct grain warehouse and grain dealer inspections and investigations. The warehouse staff also performs check-off audits for various grain commissions and councils.

The Consumer Affairs Division works with customers to answer questions and resolve complaints about the rates and services of regulated utilities. Manager **Deb Gregg** and representatives **Vicky Burns** and **Jason Schuchard** act as liaisons between consumers and utility companies in resolving these issues. This division also coordinates the PUC's presence at home shows and fairs and makes group presentations as requested.



FINANCIAL REPORT

	BUDGET	GENERAL FUNDS	FEDERAL FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS	ENCUMBRANCE	BUDGET NOT EXPENDED
ADMINISTRATION						
Personal Services	\$1,063,091	\$322,272	\$46,495	\$676,076	\$0	\$18,248
Operating Expenses	\$167,109	\$0	\$0	\$128,927	\$5,273	\$32,909
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$1,230,200	\$322,272	\$46,495	\$805,003	\$5,273	\$51,157
WAREHOUSE						
Personal Services	\$257,512	\$128,616	\$0	\$116,464	\$0	\$12,432
Operating Expenses	\$76,517	\$52,358	\$0	\$1,527	\$0	\$22,632
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$334,029	\$180,974	\$0	\$117,991	\$0	\$35,064
FIXED UTILITY						
<i>(Informational Budget)</i>						
Personal Services	\$1,307,547	\$0	\$126,664	\$1,032,959	\$0	\$147,924
Operating Expenses	\$510,480	\$0	\$10,830	\$335,642	\$4,842	\$159,166
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$1,818,027	\$0	\$137,494	\$1,368,601	\$4,842	\$307,090
PIPELINE SAFETY						
<i>(Informational Budget)</i>						
Personal Services	\$188,316	\$0	\$130,461	\$41,001	\$0	\$16,854
Operating Expenses	\$95,074	\$0	\$40,916	\$10,875	\$2,816	\$40,467
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$283,390	\$0	\$171,377	\$51,876	\$2,816	\$57,321
ONE CALL NOTIFICATION						
<i>(Informational Budget)</i>						
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	\$771,875	\$0	\$30,525	\$751,996	\$0	-\$10,646
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$771,875	\$0	\$30,525	\$751,996	\$0	-\$10,646
DO NOT CALL LIST						
<i>(Informational Budget)</i>						
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	\$39,535	\$0	\$0	\$11,640	\$0	\$27,895
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$39,535	\$0	\$0	\$11,640	\$0	\$27,895
Gross Receipts Tax Fund Revenues						
Grain and Warehouse Licenses *	\$ 91,270				Gross Receipts Tax*	\$ 2,122,947
Check Off Audits	\$ 5,750				Application Fees	\$ 500
Interest Earned	\$ 2,464				Interest Earned	\$ 44,885
Total Revenue	\$ 99,494				Total Revenue	\$ 2,168,332

* Includes Fines/Penalties

YEAR IN REVIEW

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Chris Nelson was appointed to chair the Committee on Telecommunications for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. The appointment also earned Nelson a spot on NARUC's board of directors. The 28-member Committee on Telecommunications develops NARUC policy through resolutions about current issues that guide the association's message in working with Congress, the Federal Communications Commission and the court system. The committee also works with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Trade Commission.

Commissioner Chris Nelson was appointed by the Federal Communications Commission to the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. Nelson is one of four state utility regulators on the joint board, which also includes delegates from the FCC and a consumer advocate representative. The board is charged with making recommendations to the FCC related to federal universal service policies. Programs under the banner of universal service are the Connect America Fund for rural areas, Lifeline for low-income customers, E-rate for schools and libraries, and Rural Health Care.

Commissioner Chris Nelson delivered presentations to audiences at meetings of the Montana Telecommunications Association and WTA – Advocates for Rural Broadband about changes and challenges in the telecommunications arena.

Deemed 27 telecommunications carriers as eligible to collectively receive millions of dollars in high cost support from the federal Universal Service Fund for maintaining, upgrading and building out their voice and broadband networks in South Dakota. The Universal Service Administration Co. estimates South Dakota carriers invested more than \$73 million in USF monies in South Dakota in 2013.

In May, following a lengthy and complex process, granted a certificate of authority to Native American Telecom to provide local exchange and interexchange service within the Fort Thompson exchange located on the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe Reservation. One of the issues presented in the case involved the jurisdiction of the PUC over Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services. The PUC rejected the argument made by Sprint, an intervenor in the case, that Native American Telecom was providing VoIP services and that, therefore, the PUC did not have jurisdiction. The PUC found that "the record in this case does not support a finding that the Commission lacks jurisdiction to grant NAT a certificate of authority due to the provisioning of any voice services through IP."

RENEWABLE ENERGY

Compiled the annual South Dakota Renewable, Recycled and Conserved Energy Objective report for calendar year 2013 and submitted it to the state Legislature. Companies continue to invest in renewables and energy efficiency and many are on track to meet or exceed the voluntary objective of 10 percent renewable and conserved energy by 2015.

Commissioner Kristie Fiegen offered a presentation about renewable energy development and South Dakota's energy future to South Dakota university faculty and students of the Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship program.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE

Issued licenses to 173 entities with 312 locations and performed 405 inspections at 262 licensed facilities.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

All of six investor-owned utilities now offer energy efficiency and conservation programs in their respective South Dakota service territories. In 2014, the estimated energy savings for all IOUs were 9,812 megawatt hours of electricity and 51,419 dekatherms of natural gas.

- ◆ **Xcel Energy:** Approved an update to Xcel's Demand Side Management plan that focuses on LED lighting incentives for commercial and industrial customers, ground source heat pump incentives for residential customers, LED and CFL lighting incentives for residential customers, direct load control of air conditioning units for C&I and residential customers, and consumer education. Total forecasted energy savings for the 2015 plan are 6,085 megawatt hours of electricity.
- ◆ **Black Hills Power:** Approved an update to the company's Energy Efficiency Solutions Program for 2014-2016 that modified the appliance recycling program to include providing rebates for both refrigerators and freezers. Residential lighting and appliance, residential whole house efficiency, and small business direct were added as new programs. Total energy savings for the three-year period is expected to be 12,304 megawatt hours of electricity.
- ◆ **NorthWestern Energy:** Approved a two-year pilot Demand Side Management Plan that includes a number of energy efficiency measures for both residential and commercial customers.
- ◆ **Otter Tail Power Co.:** The company continued its Energy Efficiency Plan that was previously approved.
- ◆ **MidAmerican Energy Co.:** Approved MidAmerican's Energy Efficiency Plan that provided incentives for a number of energy efficiency measures, including: residential and commercial furnace rebates, residential ground source heat pump rebates, residential appliance recycling rebates, and others. Total energy savings as a result of the program was 215.5 megawatt hours of electricity and 49,260 dekatherms of natural gas.
- ◆ **Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.:** Approved the company's three-year Natural Gas Conservation Portfolio Plan for 2015-2017. Key plan offerings include rebates for residential high-efficiency furnaces, residential programmable thermostats, commercial high efficiency furnaces, and commercial custom efficiency solutions. Total energy savings is forecasted to be 15,141 dekatherms of natural gas for the three-year period.

PIPELINE SITING, SAFETY AND INSPECTION

Completed 138 days of pipeline safety inspections.

Pipeline safety staff participated in more than 600 hours of training.

Promoted the Call Before You Dig program with statewide news releases for National Safe Digging Month in April and National 8/11 Day in August. Encouraged visitors to the PUC's booth at the Sioux Empire and Black Hills home shows and the Brown County and State fairs to take the One Call pledge to call 811 before any excavation activity.

Began processing the certification of permit docket for the TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline. Because TransCanada did not begin construction on the proposed 313-mile crude oil Keystone XL Pipeline in South Dakota within four years of the permit being issued in June 2010, the company must certify to the PUC that the facility continues to meet the conditions upon which the permit was granted. An evidentiary hearing will take place in May 2015. The proposed pipeline route runs through portions of Harding, Butte, Perkins, Meade, Pennington, Haakon, Jones, Lyman and Tripp counties. The proposed project also includes seven pump stations to be located in Harding, Meade, Haakon, Jones and Tripp counties. The plans specify two pump stations each in Harding and Tripp counties.

Received an application from Dakota Access to construct a 272-mile crude oil pipeline in South Dakota to extend through portions of Campbell, McPherson, Edmunds, Faulk, Spink, Beadle, Kingsbury, Miner, Lake, McCook, Minnehaha, Turner and Lincoln counties and include one pump station in Spink County. The purpose of the pipeline is to connect the Bakken and Three Forks crude oil production areas in North Dakota to existing pipeline infrastructure in Illinois. The commission must decide on the application by December 15, 2015.

LEADERSHIP

Commissioner Gary Hanson was voted to serve as PUC chairman and Commissioner Chris Nelson was voted vice chairman.

ELECTRIC

Continued the process to develop rules that will help define cases involving contracts for generation developers seeking to sell wholesale power as a qualified facility to a utility company. The commission will specifically consider how to handle the creation of a legally enforceable obligation (LEO) in such cases.

Approved in May a 43-mile 345kV transmission line to be constructed by Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Co. in Brookings and Deuel counties, known as the Big Stone South-Brookings County project. The line has multi-value project (MVP) status from MISO, identifying it as providing regional reliability, economic value and supporting renewable energy.

Hosted “EPA’s 111(d) Carbon Regulation: A South Dakota Forum” in Sioux Falls to examine the impacts, implications and other issues of the EPA’s proposed plan to reduce carbon emissions from existing power plants. More than 100 attendees heard from representatives of the EPA, S.D. Department of Environment and Natural Resources, South Dakota’s energy providers, and regional transmission organizations about the proposed plan, compliance methods and cost, and the impact on reliability.

Responded to the EPA’s call for comments on its Clean Power Plan by thoroughly analyzing the proposal, discussing effects with South Dakota stakeholders and submitting extensive written comments to the agency. PUC analysis of the proposed plan to regulate carbon emissions from existing power plants indicates the plan may adversely impact the reliability and affordability of electricity in South Dakota if implemented as it is currently written. Published the PUC’s comments and those of South Dakota energy stakeholders on the PUC website.

Commissioner Chris Nelson offered remarks to electricity industry leaders gathered at the Electric Power Research Institute Summer Seminar about the role of communications in distributed energy resources deployment.

Hosted a public input hearing in Aberdeen for Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Otter Tail Power Co. to construct a 345kV, 160-mile transmission line between new substations near Big Stone City, S.D., and Ellendale, N.D., crossing portions of Brown, Day and Grant counties. The proceeding in May was the third public input hearing for the project, scheduled after the applicants made some changes to the route. Approved a settlement stipulation in August allowing for construction of the project. MISO has designated the line as a multi-value project (MVP).

The PUC’s decision granting a permit to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Otter Tail Power Co. to construct a 345kV transmission line between Big Stone City, S.D., and Ellendale, N.D., was appealed in September to the Fifth Circuit Court by Gerald Pesall of Lily, S.D. The PUC decision was affirmed by the circuit court in December.

Commissioner Gary Hanson was a speaker and panelist at the national Roundtable on Energy Resource Portfolios for the Electric Power Industry in October where industry leaders examined the future of the electric power industry, the growing demand for diverse energy portfolios and challenges, and how to solve those challenges.

In November, agreed to allow Otter Tail Power Co. to recover from customers the company's cost of complying with environmental regulations at two of its coal-fired power plants near Milbank, S.D., and Fergus Falls, Minn. South Dakota customers were impacted, on average, by a 7.1 percent rate increase, referred to as an environmental cost recovery tariff, effective Dec. 1, 2014. The company expects the total rate increase to be slightly less than 12 percent when the retrofit construction is complete at the Big Stone Plant in 2015.

Hosted a public input hearing in August attended by nearly 100 people in Rapid City for a 45.4-mile 230kV transmission line proposed to be constructed by Black Hills Power from the Wyoming border to the company's Lange Substation near Rapid City. The commission approved construction of the line in November.

Completed participation in a temporary staffing program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Since 2010, the PUC has had ARRA staff that completed assignments related to electric issues. The last ARRA staff member worked through 2014, concentrating on electric service territory boundary agreements.

Processed 69 electric service territory boundary agreements to verify electric territory mapping data for conversion to electronic format and use in a Geographic Information System database.

Continued working with counterparts from other states on the Eastern Interconnect States' Planning Council/State Provincial Steering Committee to strategize regional transmission planning and cost allocation efforts.

As part of the Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body, continued to provide advice to the Western Electricity Coordinating Council, North American Electric Reliability Corporation and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission about electric reliability issues.

Received and began processing applications from four investor-owned electric utilities requesting authority to increase rates:

- ◆ Black Hills Power requested a 9.27 percent increase in March 2014.
- ◆ Xcel Energy requested an 8.0 percent increase in June 2014.
- ◆ MidAmerican Energy Co. requested a 13.8 percent increase in August 2014.
- ◆ NorthWestern Energy requested a 20.24 percent increase in December 2014.

Each rate case is thoroughly analyzed by a PUC staff team of one attorney and multiple analysts with assistance from rate consultants.

Processed a number of transmission cost recovery (TCR) tariff requests:

- ◆ In February, approved a settlement agreement to update Otter Tail Power Company's TCR rider rate to reflect the 2014 recovery period and one new transmission project.
- ◆ In April, approved Xcel Energy's request to continue recovery of the South Dakota portion of 21 transmission projects for 2014.
- ◆ In May, approved a settlement stipulation between PUC staff and Black Hills Power to allow the company to recover costs associated with two 69 kV transmission rebuild projects.
- ◆ In December, approved Xcel Energy's request to continue recovery of the South Dakota portion related to 14 transmission projects for 2015.
- ◆ Received a request from Otter Tail Power Company in October for an update of its TCR rider rate to include recovery of costs in 2015 for two new transmission projects.

Similar to a rate case, a transmission cost recovery docket is assigned to a PUC staff team comprised of an attorney and, often, multiple analysts that conducts a comprehensive analysis of the company's request.

PUBLIC OUTREACH AND CONSUMER ASSISTANCE

Assisted consumers on more than 1,910 occasions with issues and complaints related to electric, natural gas, telecommunications (including wireless), energy efficiency and other utility-related topics.

Conducted personal consumer outreach at the Sioux Empire Home Show in Sioux Falls, Black Hills Homebuilders Show in Rapid City, Brown County Fair in Aberdeen and the South Dakota State Fair in Huron. Commissioners and staff met with more than 3,400 consumers to answer questions about utility issues and promote the Call Before You Dig program, energy efficiency, Lifeline telephone assistance program and the Do Not Call registry.

Helped to increase the total amount of South Dakota telephone numbers on Do Not Call registry to 632,381.

Commissioner Chris Nelson was a guest lecturer for Brookings eighth grade science classes. Nelson and the students discussed wind, hydro and solar applications in South Dakota.

Commissioner Kristie Fiegen was a guest presenter at Southeast Technical Institute, meeting with high school students from the region to discuss public policy and utility industry careers.

WIRELESS

Monitored the actions and results as new wireless telecommunications sites were launched by companies at several locations including in or near Camp Crook, Custer/Crazy Horse Memorial, Gettysburg, Kadoka, Mitchell, Mission Hill, New Underwood, Plankinton, Selby and Willow Lake. Companies also made a number of technology enhancements on existing towers throughout the year.

NATURAL GAS

Began processing a request received in August from MidAmerican Energy Co. to increase its natural gas rates by 3.5 percent.

Commissioners and staff toured sites in the Bakken Formation area and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s new natural gas-fired plant at its Heskett Station in North Dakota.

PUC Commissioners Gary Hanson, Chris Nelson and Kristie Fiegen along with PUC staff members Eric Paulson, Joe Rezac and Patrick Steffensen along with representatives of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. toured sites in North Dakota's Bakken formation area.



TOP PRIORITIES

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission focuses on the state’s ratepayers and utility producers, managing its responsibility with the long-term public interest in mind. Accordingly, the priorities listed on the following pages are those that the commission examines to evaluate the fulfillment of its responsibility.

ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS

The commission looks after the welfare of South Dakotans as related to electric and natural gas issues. Actions taken by the commission strive to ensure reliable service and reasonable rates from investor-owned utilities as well as fair service territory boundaries for all utilities. The commission follows guidelines prescribed by South Dakota law when siting energy conversion and transmission facilities and serves as an objective resource on renewable energy issues. The components of this priority affect South Dakotans in terms of reliability and cost of their electric and natural gas services.

The PUC uses a number of ways to measure the agency’s effectiveness at handling these issues.

RATES

Reviewing electric and natural gas rates from around the state, region and nation offers perspective to evaluate the financial impact South Dakota ratepayers experience compared to residents of other states.

<i>Measurement per kWh, 2013</i>	
Average Residential Electric Rate	
10.26 cents	South Dakota
10.94 cents	West North Central Region (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota)
12.13 cents	United States

<i>Measurement per thousand cubic feet, 2013</i>	
Average Residential Natural Gas Rate	
\$8.23	South Dakota
\$9.25	West North Central Region (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota)
\$10.32	United States

COMPLETED ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS DOCKETS

The number of electric and natural gas dockets completed each year reveals the agency’s ability to manage its duties and workload. The measurement also assists agency officials in managing the process by which dockets are assigned, analyzed and acted upon by staff and commissioners. The commission seeks to completely process 90 percent of its electric and natural gas dockets within 12 months of a docket being filed.

<i>Measurement 2014</i>	
Electric and Natural Gas Dockets	
108	Completed dockets
32	Completed within approximately 1 month
75	Completed in 2 to 4 months
1	Completed in 7 to 12 months
7	Completed in more than 12 months
94%	Percentage completed in 12 months

OVERTURNED ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS DOCKETS

Parties that file requests or applications with the PUC and intervenors to those dockets have the right to challenge the commission’s decision in circuit court. The number of dockets overturned by judicial order is an assessment of the manner by which the commission perceives and uses its regulatory authority.

Measurement, 2014
Overturned dockets: None

ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

The electric utility industry uses indices to track and benchmark performance reliability. Companies use this data to evaluate and improve upon their response to outages, handling of customer complaints and system integrity. Though electric utilities in South Dakota are not required to report these scores to the PUC, the companies discuss the information with the commission and a comparison to national scores is ascertained.

INDICES

- ◆ **System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI):** The average amount of time a customer's service is interrupted during the reporting period.
- ◆ **System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI):** The average number of interruptions that a customer would experience.
- ◆ **Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI):** The average outage duration that any given customer would experience. CAIDI can also be viewed as the average restoration time.

Measurement, 2014

South Dakota 2014 scores compared to National 2013 median score

Sixteen of the 18 scores provided to the PUC by South Dakota's six investor-owned utilities were better than the median. Analyzing the scores with relation to customer base and other factors reveals that the utilities have a high degree of electric reliability performance.



Photo provided by Department of Tourism

GRAIN WAREHOUSE

Monitoring the South Dakota grain industry is a significant responsibility of the Public Utilities Commission. The PUC Warehouse Division licenses and inspects:

- ◆ state-licensed grain storage warehouses,
- ◆ federally-licensed grain storage warehouses holding state grain-buyer licenses,
- ◆ grain buyers licensed as processors and non-storage facilities.

Grain brokers and truck-based grain buyers are also licensed but not inspected because they do not maintain grain handling facilities in South Dakota.

The warehouse staff works to reduce producer risk by reviewing the grain buyer and grain warehouse financial statements each year and by performing regular on-site inspections.

The PUC uses three main categories to measure its effectiveness in the grain industry.

INSPECTIONS

The PUC conducts inspections to ensure compliance with statutes and rules related to the licensing and bonding requirements for grain warehouses and grain buyers. The number of inspections conducted describes the penetration of the agency's review process. The commission aims to inspect each licensed facility annually.

Measurement, 2014

Grain warehouse and grain buyer inspections: 405 inspections at 262 licensed facilities

LICENSES

The PUC issues licenses for grain buyers and grain warehouses doing business in the state. Each licensed entity is required to apply for renewal annually. As part of the licensing and renewal process, the commission analyzes grain buyers' financial ability to pay grain producers and suppliers. The number of licenses handled by the PUC depicts the wide scope of the commission's monitoring of the industry.

Measurement, 2014

- ◆ Class A Grain Buyer Licenses (entities that use voluntary credit sale contracts or exceed \$10,000,000 in annual purchases): 131 entities with 267 locations
- ◆ Class B Grain Buyer Licenses (entities that do not use voluntary credit sale contracts and do not exceed \$10,000,000 in annual purchases): 44 entities with 45 locations
- ◆ State Warehouse Licenses (entities that are licensed by the state to store grain for hire): 58 entities with 98 locations
- ◆ Federal Warehouse Licenses (entities that are licensed by the USDA to store grain for hire): 39 entities with 125 locations; four locations are out-of-state but maintain a South Dakota grain buyer license.
- ◆ Processors (entities that purchase grain for the purpose of processing it into other products): 16 entities with 22 locations; four locations are out-of-state but maintain a South Dakota grain buyer license.
- ◆ Non-storage (entities that operate a grain handling facility but do not hold a state or federal warehouse license): 18 entities with 23 locations
- ◆ Truck (entities that are primarily trucking companies with no grain handling facility but purchase grain for the purpose of resale): 11 entities with 11 locations
- ◆ Brokers (entities that purchase grain but do not take physical possession of the grain): 31 entities with 33 locations

LICENSE REVOCATIONS

When a licensed grain warehouse fails to perform its duties or carry out its obligations to its producers, the PUC follows prescribed laws and administrative rules to investigate, audit or take other necessary action to limit damage to the public. The number of license revocations, excluding circumstances beyond the commission's authority, can be an indicator of the commission's level of diligence in overseeing the industry.

Measurement, 2014

License Revocations: None



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PIPELINE SAFETY

The PUC has responsibility to regulate natural gas intrastate pipelines which includes ensuring the public is provided safe and dependable gas service. As part of its duties, commission staff inspects and investigates natural gas pipeline operators, master meter operators and propane systems for compliance with statutes and administrative rules.

The commission uses the following measurement tools to establish that it is appropriately handling its role with regard to pipeline safety.

INSPECTIONS

PUC pipeline safety inspectors regularly inspect hazardous gas pipeline operators to determine compliance with state and federal regulations. Inspections occur in the areas of records, field, construction, drug and alcohol, public awareness, incident investigation, operator qualification and integrity management. The number of inspection hours logged by the safety inspectors is an indicator of the agency's thoroughness in this area. Based on the PUC's certification agreement to administer this program for the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), a minimum of 136 inspection days are required.

Measurement, 2014

Inspections: 138 days (136 days required)

FEDERAL AUDIT

South Dakota's pipeline safety program is field audited annually by PHMSA's Office of Pipeline Safety (Central Region). The agency reviews inspections conducted and citations issued by the PUC and evaluates the commission's adherence to its pipeline safety procedures plan. The result of the federal review indicates the PUC's ability to carry out its obligations related to pipeline safety. PHMSA also reviews and scores South Dakota's annual certification document submittals. The total score for calendar year 2014 is a 50/50 weighted average of the percentage score for the 2012 field evaluation and the 2013 progress report. The highest possible score is 100, the average score was 96.14, and the lowest score for any state reported in 2014 was 67.70. This audit score affects the funding South Dakota will receive for calendar year 2014.

Measurement, 2014

Audit score: 100 out of a possible 100

FEDERAL CERTIFICATION

PUC staff members involved in pipeline safety inspection are required to complete six training courses to become a certified pipeline safety instructor. Additional training is required for certification to conduct specialty inspections in the areas of control room management, distribution integrity management programs, public awareness and transmission integrity management. The courses are taught by the federal Pipeline Safety Office of Training and Qualifications and are designed to educate federal and state pipeline safety inspectors in the application of compliance requirements, inspection techniques and enforcement procedures.

Measurement, training/certification to-date

- ◆ Program Manager: All required courses plus 10 elective courses completed. Manager is certified to conduct all inspection types.
- ◆ Inspector: All required courses plus two elective courses completed. Inspector is certified to conduct all inspection types except for transmission integrity management, distribution integrity management and control room management.
- ◆ Staff Attorney: Two courses have been completed.

SOUTH DAKOTA ONE CALL BOARD

The PUC assists the South Dakota One Call Board with administering the South Dakota One Call program, commonly referred to as “Call Before You Dig.” This program operates a notification center that informs underground facility operators, such as telephone, electric, petroleum, natural gas, cable television, water and sewer, of any excavation activities. An individual preparing to conduct excavating activities can have underground facilities located by calling 811 to reach the South Dakota 811 Center or submitting the request online. The center will contact the appropriate facility operators who are responsible to accurately mark the underground facilities affected. Parties failing to comply with the statutes and administrative rules that govern the program are subject to complaint action which may result in a penalty assessed by the board.

The correct application of all elements in the process provides many benefits. Excavators preserve their safety and decrease their liability by knowing the location of underground facilities in advance of their activities. Facility operators have greater assurance their assets are guarded against damage, dislocation and disturbance by clearly marking their facilities. The public receives protection from injury, damage and loss of service when the One Call process is followed.

The commission monitors the success of the program by focusing on three key measures.

TIME IN QUEUE

The prompt handling of locate requests is a top priority of the South Dakota One Call program. Each request of the system is handled in the order by which it is received. Queue times indicate the capability of the system’s representatives to understand and appropriately react to the locate requests, affecting the timeline by which the excavator may proceed with their activity.

Measurement, 2014

Average time in queue: 39.75 seconds

LOCATE REQUESTS AND TICKETS

The South Dakota 811 Center is the hub of the South Dakota One Call program. It is here that incoming locate requests are received, processed and are dispatched to utilities as outbound locate tickets. Trained operators receive inbound requests from excavators to have dig sites marked and issue outbound locate tickets to the affected utilities that dispatch personnel to locate the underground facilities at the respective dig site. An incoming request will typically result in multiple locate tickets, due to multiple utilities having buried facilities at the same dig location. This inbound and outbound traffic is monitored to reveal the amount of excavation activity throughout the state and the general usage of the One Call system.

Measurement, 2014

Incoming locate requests: 133,954

Outgoing locate tickets: 802,233

COMPLAINTS FILED

Complaints filed with the One Call Board are reviewed to determine if probable cause of a violation exists. If so, the board may recommend a penalty be assessed. The One Call program’s complaint process is an enforcement tool as well as an educational tool. Often, parties found in violation were not previously aware of their duties to follow One Call statutes or administrative rules. Processing formal complaints produces enforcement and public awareness results.

Measurement, 2014

Complaints: 33

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The commission has varied regulatory authority over telecommunications providers and services in South Dakota. The PUC issues certificates of authority to certain providers; approves switched access rates for local exchange carriers; designates providers as eligible telecommunication carriers and certifies carriers as eligible to receive federal high-cost support; approves interconnection agreements between providers; and arbitrates disputes between providers. In addition, the commission serves as a resource on emerging issues. The commission continually assesses its performance in dealing with telecommunications issues, with specific attention paid to these measurements:

COMPLETED TELECOMMUNICATIONS DOCKETS

As with the electric and natural gas category, the number of telecommunications dockets completed each year reveals the agency's ability to manage its duties and workload. The measurement also assists agency officials in managing the process by which dockets are assigned, analyzed and acted upon by staff and commissioners. The number can also act as a meter of the amount of activity, within the commission's jurisdiction, by telecommunications providers in the state. The commission seeks to process 90 percent of its annual telecommunications dockets within 12 months of a docket being filed.

Measurement, 2014

Telecommunications Dockets

134	Completed dockets
14	Completed within approximately 1 month
71	Completed in 2 to 4 months
1	Completed in 7 to 12 months
3	Completed in more than 12 months
97%	Percentage completed in 12 months

OVERTURNED TELECOMMUNICATIONS DOCKETS

Parties that file requests or applications with the PUC and intervenors to those dockets have the right to challenge the commission's decision in circuit court. The number of dockets that are overturned by judicial order is an assessment of the manner in which the commission perceives and uses its regulatory authority.

Measurement, 2014

Overtured dockets: None

ACCESS TO UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND, HIGH COST PROGRAM

A number of telecommunications carriers have been designated as eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) by the commission. Carriers that have been designated as ETCs receive high cost support from the federal Universal Service Fund for maintaining, upgrading, and building out their voice and broadband networks in South Dakota. Each year, the commission must certify to the Federal Communications Commission that the ETCs are using the funds for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Dollars invested are a reflection of the strengthening and expansion of telecommunications infrastructure, to enhance system reliability and enable more service options to more customers, particularly in rural areas.

Measurement, 2013

27 carriers invested \$73,281,000



20 South Dakota State Capitol in Pierre. Photo provided by Department of Tourism.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

The PUC provides a number of services for consumers. The agency's consumer affairs staff is trained to assist consumers with issues related to their electric, natural gas or telecommunications service, including wireless. They provide educational information about energy efficiency, consumer protection and making wise utility choices. They also offer guidance and referrals for consumers who may have difficulty paying their utility bills. The commission also administers the South Dakota Do Not Call Registry, registering telephone solicitors, helping to enroll consumers on the registry, and investigating violations against consumers who are on the registry.

The commission evaluates its performance related to consumer affairs by examining the following areas:

COMPLAINTS COMPLETED WITHIN A MONTH

Consumer complaints are received by the commission via phone, mail, email and, occasionally, are delivered in-person by the complainant. The PUC strives to quickly and fully investigate each incident by analyzing both sides of the complaint and working with the affected parties to informally reach a resolution. The number of complaints completed within a month reveals the commission's effectiveness in responding to consumers. The goal is 90 percent completed within a month.

Measurement, 2014

Complaints completed within a month: 96%

Formal Consumer Complaints

When a consumer and utility cannot reach a resolution through the informal process, one of the parties may file a formal complaint. A formal complaint is entered into a docket and, unless settled, may result in a hearing before the commission. The commission endeavors to affect complaint resolutions informally and therefore strives for a low number of formal complaints. This measurement is also an assessment of the commission staff's negotiation and mediation skills.

Measurement, 2014

Formal consumer complaints: 3

DO NOT CALL REGISTRY

The commission continually uses outreach efforts to educate South Dakotans about enrolling their personal telephone number on the Do Not Call Registry to reduce the number of telemarketing calls they receive. In addition to advocacy, the PUC takes an active role and, at the request of a consumer, will enroll their number on the registry. The PUC tracks the number of South Dakota telephone numbers on the registry, noting the amount of growth each year which is an indication of the success of education efforts.

Measurement, 2014

South Dakota telephone numbers on Do Not Call Registry: 632,381 (2.5% increase)

REGULATED UTILITY COMPANIES

The Commission has territory, complaint and quality of service authority over all natural gas, electric and telecommunications utilities operating within South Dakota. Certain utilities are exempt from the commission's rate regulation. They include municipal, rural electric cooperatives and small, independent and cooperative telephone companies. The commission retains its switched access rate making authority for all telecommunications companies providing local service, including small, independent and cooperative companies.

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX ASSESSMENT PAID BY REGULATED UTILITY COMPANY

The sum of these figures does not correspond with the Gross Receipts Tax Revenues reported on page 7 due to timing issues. Revenues are based on calendar year.

Electric and Natural Gas Companies	\$1,021,054
Telecommunications Companies	\$701,744

INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS COMPANIES

Investor-owned electric and natural gas companies provide service to specific geographic areas in South Dakota and are regulated by the PUC. These companies are owned by their investors and are managed as private enterprises.

Black Hills Power Inc.
 MidAmerican Energy Co.
 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
 Northern States Power Co. dba Xcel Energy
 NorthWestern Energy
 Otter Tail Power Co.
 South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Co.

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE COMPANIES

These long distance telephone providers are certified by the PUC to do business in South Dakota. These companies carry traffic between telephone exchanges.

#

365 Wireless LLC
 800 Response Information Services LLC

A

Access One Inc.
 Access Point Inc.
 AccessLine Communications Corp.
 dba Voice Teleco Services
 ACN Communication Services Inc.
 Affinity Network Inc.
 dba QuantumLink Communications and
 HorizonOne Communications
 Airespring Inc.
 Airus Inc. fka Intelepeer Inc.
 Alliance Global Networks LLC
 Alliance Group Services Inc.
 dba U.S. Republic Communications Inc.
 American Telecommunications Systems Inc.
 Americatel Corporation
 dba 10 123 Americatel and 1010 123

Long Distance Telephone Companies (cont.)

Americatel and AMETEX and 1 800 3030 123

Americatel Collect

AmeriVision Communications Inc.

dba LifeLine Communications

dba Affinity 4

ANPI Business LLC

Associated Network Partners Inc.

AT&T Corp.

Avera Communication LLC

B

Bandwidth.com CLEC LLC

BCN Telecom Inc.

BEK Communications Cooperative

BellSouth Long Distance Inc.

dba AT&T Long Distance Service

Broadband Dynamics LLC

Broadview Networks Inc.

Broadvox-CLEC LLC

Broadwing Communications LLC

BT Communications Sales LLC

Budget PrePay Inc. dba Budget Phone

BullsEye Telecom Inc.

Business Discount Plan Inc.

Business Network Long Distance Inc.

Business Telecom Inc. dba EarthLink Business

C

Central Telecom Long Distance Inc.

CenturyLink Public Communications Inc.

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc.

Comcast Phone of South Dakota LLC

dba Comcast Digital Phone

Communications Network Billing Inc.

COMTECH 21 LLC

Conectado Inc.

Consolidated Communications Networks Inc.

Consumer Telcom Inc.

Convergia Inc.

Crexendo Business Solutions Inc.

Crystal Communications Inc. dba Hickory Tech

CSDVRS LLC

CTC Communication Corp. dba EarthLink

Business

Custom Teleconnect Inc.

D

DakotaComm LLC

DeltaCom LLC dba EarthLink Business

Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative

dishNet Wireline LLC

fka Liberty Bell Telecom LLC

E

EarthLink Business LLC

Easton Telecom Services LLC

Embarq Communications Inc.

dba CenturyLink Communications

Encompass Communications LLC

Enhanced Communications Group LLC

dba ECG LLC

EnTelegent Solutions Inc.

Enventis Corp. dba Enventis

Express Communications Inc.

F

FiberComm LC

First Choice Technology Inc.

First Communications LLC

France Telecom Corporate Solutions LLC

Frontier Communications of America Inc.

G

GC Pivotal LLC

Global Crossing Telecommunications Inc.

Global Tel*Link Corp.

Globalinx Enterprises Inc.

Gold Line Telemanagement Inc.

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative

dba Golden West Telecommunications

Granite Telecommunications LLC

Greenfly Networks Inc. dba Clearly

Communications

H

Hypercube Telecom LLC

Long Distance Telephone Companies (cont.)

I

IDT America Corp.
Impact Telecom Inc.
inContact Inc. dba UCN Inc.
fka Buyers United Inc.
iNetworks Group Inc.
Inmate Calling Solutions LLC dba ICSolutions
Integrated Services Inc.
Intellicall Operator Services Inc. dba ICSolutions
Ionex Communications North Inc. dba Birch
Communications

K

KDDI America Inc.
Knology of the Black Hills LLC
dba WOW! Internet, Cable & Phone
Knology of the Plains Inc.
dba WOW! Internet, Cable & Phone

L

Lattice Inc.
LCR Telecommunications LLC
Legacy Long Distance International Inc.
Level 3 Communications LLC
Long Lines Metro

M

Matrix Telecom Inc.
dba Matrix Business Technologies
MCC Telephony of the Midwest Inc.
dba Mediacom
MCI Communications Services Inc.
dba Verizon Business Services
MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC
dba Verizon Access Transmission
Services
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services LLC
dba PaeTec Business Services
Megapath Corp.
dba Covad Communications Co.
Metropolitan Telecommunications of South
Dakota Inc. dba MetTel
Midcontinent Communications Inc.
Midstate Communications
Midstate Telecom Inc.

Mitel NetSolutions Inc.
Mobilitie LLC
Momentum Telecom Inc.
Multiline Long Distance Inc.

N

National Access Long Distance Inc.
National Directory Assistance LLC
Nationwide Long Distance Services Inc.
Native American Telecom LLC
NECC Telecom Inc.
Net One International Inc.
Netwolves Network Services
Network Billing Systems LLC
Network Communications International Corp.
aka Mundo Telecom and
aka 1800Call4Less
Network Innovations Inc.
Network Operator Services
Network Service Billing Inc.
NetworkIP LLC dba Elite Telecom
Neutral Tandem-South Dakota LLC
New Horizons Communications Corp.
NobelTel LLC
North Dakota Long Distance LLC
Northern Valley Communications LLC
NOS Communications Inc.
dba International Plus and
dba The Internet Business Association
(Inetba) and iVantage Network
Solutions and dba 011 Communications
and dba Blueridge Telecom Systems
NOSVA Limited Partnership
dba CierraCom Systems
NovaTel Ltd. Inc.

O

ONLINE SAVINGS INC.
Onvoy Inc. dba Onvoy Voice Services
OPCOM Inc. dba WCS Telecom
Operator Service Co. LLC dba Excell Services
Opex Communications Inc. dba TCI Long
Distance
OrbitCom Inc.

Long Distance Telephone Companies (cont.)

P

PaeTec Communications Inc.
PayTel Communications Inc.
PNG Telecommunications Inc.
 dba PowerNet Global Communications
 and dba CrossConnect
Primus Telecommunications Inc.
Public Communications Services Inc.

Q

QuantumShift Communications Inc. dba vCom
 Solutions
Qwest Communications Corp.
 dba CenturyLink QCC

R

RC Communications Inc. dba RC Services
Reduced Rate Long Distance LLC
Reliance Telephone Systems Inc.
Reliant Communications Inc.
Residential Long Distance Inc.

S

Sage Telecom LLC dba Sage Wireless
Sancom Inc. dba Mitchell Telecom
Santel Communications Cooperative
SBC Long Distance LLC dba AT&T Long Distance
Spectrotel Inc. dba OneTouch Communications
 dba Touch Base Communications
Sprint Communications Co. LP

T

Talk America Services LLC
TDS Long Distance Corp.
Telecare Inc.
Telecom Management Inc.
 dba Pioneer Telephone
Telecom North America Inc.
Televergence Solutions Inc.
Telrite Corp. dba Life Wireless
Three River Telco
 dba Three River Long Distance
TNCI Operating Co.
TOTAL ACCESS TELECOM INC.
Total Call International Inc.
Total Holdings dba GTC Communications

Touchtone Communications Inc.
TTI National Inc.
tw telecom data services LLC

U

U.S. Telecom Long Distance Inc.
USA Digital Communications Inc.

V

Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Assoc.
 Inc.
Value-Added Communications Inc.
Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever Inc.
Verizon Long Distance LLC
Verizon Select Services Inc.
Voicecom Telecommunications LLC
 dba Intelliverse

W

WDT World Discount Telecommunications Co.
WiTel Communications LLC
WiMacTel Inc.
Windstream Communications Inc.
Windstream KDL Inc.
Windstream Norlight Inc.
Windstream NTI Inc.
Working Assets Funding Service Inc.
 dba Credo Long Distance

X

X2Comm Inc. dba DC Communications
XO Communications Services Inc.

Z

Zayo Group LLC fka 360 Networks (USA)

OPERATOR SERVICE COMPANIES

An operator service provider is a telecommunications company that provides, by contract, a connection to long distance or local services from such places as hotels, motels, hospitals, correctional facilities and campuses. The following operator service providers are authorized to do business in South Dakota.

#

1 800 Collect Inc.

C

Consolidated Telecom Inc. dba Secured
Technologies Inc

G

Global Tel*Link Corp.

I

Inmate Calling Solutions LLC dba ICSolutions
Intellicall Operator Services Inc. dba ILD

L

Lattice Inc.

N

Network Operator Services Inc.

P

Pay Tel Communications Inc.

R

Reliance Telephone Systems Inc.

S

Securus Technologies Inc.

V

Value Added Communications Inc.

W

WiMacTel Inc.

COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES

A CLEC is a local exchange carrier providing local telephone service in competition with the incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC). Some companies can be both a CLEC and an ILEC (see page 30) in different service areas. The following CLECs are certified by the PUC to provide telecommunications services in South Dakota.

#

365 Wireless LLC
321 Communications Inc.

A

Access Point Inc.
ACN Communication Services Inc.
Airus Inc. fka Intelepeer Inc.
ANPI Business LLC
AT&T Corp.
Avera Communication LLC

B

Bandwidth.com CLEC LLC
BCN Telecom Inc.
BEK Communications Cooperative
BellSouth Long Distance Inc.
dba AT&T Long Distance Service
Broadview Networks Inc.
Broadvox-CLEC LLC
BT Communications Sales LLC
Budget Prepay Inc. dba Budget Phone
BullsEye Telecom Inc.

C

Common Point LLC
Clarity Telecom LLC
ComTech 21 LLC
Crexendo Business Soutlions Inc.
Crystal Communications Inc. dba HickoryTech

D

dishNet Wireline LLC

Competitive Local Exchange Companies (cont.)

E

EarthLink Business
EnTelegent Solutions Inc.
Eventis Telecom Inc.

F

FiberComm LC
France Telecom Corporate Solutions LLC

G

GC Pivotal LLC
Granite Telecommunications LLC
Greenfly Networks Inc.
 dba Clearly Communications

H

Hypercube Telecom LLC

I

IDT America Corp.
InContact Inc. dba UCN Inc.
iNetworks Group Inc.
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative
 (ITC)
Ionex Communications North Inc. dba Birch
 Communications

K

Knology of the Black Hills LLC dba WOW!
 Internet, Cable & Phone
Knology of the Plains Inc. dba WOW! Internet,
 Cable & Phone

L

Level 3 Communications LLC
Long Lines Metro

M

Matrix Telecom Inc.
 dba Matrix Business Technologies
MCC Telephony of the Midwest LLC
MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC
 dba Verizon Access Transmission
 Services

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services LLC
 dba PAETEC Business Services
Megapath Corp.
 dba Covad Communications Co.
Metropolitan Telecommunications of South
 Dakota Inc. dba MetTel
Midcontinent Communications
Midstate Telecom Inc.
Mitel NetSolutions Inc.
Mobilitie LLC
Momentum Telecom Inc.

N

Native American Telecom LLC
Net Fortris Acquisition Co. Inc
Neutral Tandem-South Dakota LLC
New Horizons Communications Corp.
Northern Valley Communications LLC
NOS Communications Inc.
 dba Blueridge Telecom Systems
 dba International Plus dba 011
 Communications dba The Internet
 Business Association (Inetba)
 dba iVANTAGE NETWORK SOLUTIONS

O

Onvoy Inc. dba Onvoy Voice Services
OrbitCom Inc.

Q

QuantumShift Communications
 dba vCom Solutions
Qwest Communications Co. LLC
 dba CenturyLink QCC

R

Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Assoc.

Competitive Local Exchange Companies (cont.)

S

Sage Telecom LLC
Sancom Inc. dba Mitchell Telecom
South Dakota Network LLC dba SDN
Communications
Spectrotel Inc.
dba OneTouch Communications
dba Touch Base Communications
Sprint Communications Co. LP

T

Talk America Services LLC
Teleport Communications Group LLC (TCAL)
TNCI Operating Co. LLC
tw telecom data services LLC

V

Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever Inc.

W

Windstream KDL Inc.
Windstream NTI Inc.

X

XO Communications Services Inc.

Y

YMax Communications Corp.

Z

Zayo Group LLC fka 360Networks (USA)

WIRELESS COMPANIES

*Known by the Public Utilities Commission to be
doing business in South Dakota*

#

365 Wireless LLC

A

Alliance Communications Cooperative Inc.
American Messaging Services LLC

B

BCN Telecom Inc.
Blue Jay Wireless LLC
Boomerang Wireless LLC dba enTouch Wireless
Budget PrePay Inc. dba Budget Phone

C

Cellular Inc. Network Corp. dba Verizon
Wireless
City of Brookings dba Swiftel Communications
(product brand Sprint PSC)
Coast to Coast Cellular Inc.
Consumer Cellular Inc.
Cricket Communications Inc.
Cricket Wireless LLC fka Aio Wireless LLC

D

Defense Mobile Corp.

E

Enhanced Communications Group LLC dba
Boom Mobile
EOS Mobile Holdings LLC

F

Flash Wireless, LLC
Free Mobile Inc.

G

Globalinx Enterprises Inc.
Golden West Technologies Inc. (paging)
Granite Telecommunications LLC

I

Ionex Communications North Inc.
 dba Birch Communications
 Iowa Wireless Services LLC dba i Wireless
 i-wireless LLC

J

James Valley Cooperative Telephone Co.
 dba James Valley Telecommunications

K

Kajeet Inc.
 KDDI America Inc.

L

Long Lines Wireless LLC
 Lycamobile USA Inc.

M

MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC
 dba Verizon Access Transmission
 Services
 Mitel NetSolutions Inc.

N

NetZero Wireless Inc.
 New Cingular Wireless dba AT&T Mobility
 Nextel West Corp dba Nextel
 Nextiva
 NPCR Inc dba Nextel Partners

O

OnStar LLC

P

PNG Telecommunications Inc.
 dba PowerNet Global Communications
 Puretalk Holdings LLC

R

Ready Wireless LLC
 Rural Cellular Corp. dba Unicel

S

Sage Telecom LLC
 SelectTel Inc. dba SelectTel Wireless
 Sprint Spectrum LP dba Sprint PCS

T

T-Mobile Central LLC dba T-Mobile USA Inc.
 TDS Long Distance Corp.
 Tempo Telecom LLC
 Telrite Corp. dba Life Wireless
 Total Call Mobile Inc.
 Touchtone Communications Inc.
 Tracfone Wireless Inc.
 Truphone
 tw telecom data services LLC

V

Valley Telecommunications Cooperative
 Association Inc.
 Vantek Communications
 Verizon Enterprise Solutions LLC
 Verizon Long Distance LLC
 Virgin Mobile USA LP

W

Western Communications Inc.
 Working Assets Funding Services Inc.
 dba Credo Long Distance
 WWC License LLC

Z

Ztar Mobile Inc.

LOCAL TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Also known as Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers, the following companies were providing local service when the Telecommunications Act of 1996 was enacted. Some companies can be both an ILEC and a CLEC (see page 26) in different service areas.

Independents

C

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone
Authority

F

Fort Randall Telephone Co.

J

Jefferson Telephone LLC dba Long Lines Ltd.

K

Kennebec Telephone Co.
Knology Community Telephone Inc.
dba WOW! Internet, Cable & Phone

Q

Qwest Corp. dba CenturyLink QC

W

Western Telephone Co.

Municipals

B

City of Beresford dba Beresford Municipal
Telephone Co.
City of Brookings Telephone dba Swiftel
Communications

F

City of Faith Telephone Co.
dba Faith Municipal Telephone Co.

Cooperatives

A

Alliance Communications Cooperative Inc.

G

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative
dba Golden West Telecommunications

I

Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative
(ITC)

J

James Valley Cooperative Telephone Co.
dba James Valley Telecommunications

M

Midstate Communications Inc.

R

Roberts County Telephone Cooperative
Association

S

Santel Communications Cooperative

T

TrioTel Communications Inc.

V

Valley Telecommunications Cooperative
Association Inc.
Venture Communications Cooperative

W

West River Cooperative Telephone Co.

Foreign Exchange Carriers

C

Citizens Telecommunications Company of
Minnesota LLC
Consolidated Telcom

D

Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative

F

Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.

G

Great Plains Communications Inc.

H

Heartland Telecommunications Company
of Iowa dba Hickory Tech Corp.

N

Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.
(NebCom Inc.)

Q

Qwest Corp. dba CenturyLink Communications
Company LLC

R

Red River Rural Telephone Association
RT Communications Inc.

T

Three River Telco dba Three River Long
Distance

V

Valley Telephone Co.

W

West River Telecommunications Cooperative

MISCELLANEOUS

TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES

*Certified to provide telecommunications services in South Dakota
by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.*

C

Communication Service for the Deaf Inc.

S

South Dakota Network LLC dba SDN
Communications

T

TTUSA Acquisition Inc.

2014 DOCKET STATUS REGISTER

Dockets closed between Jan. 1, 2015, and the publication date of this report (Spring 2015) are noted in parentheses.

Type	Filed	Completed	Pending as of 12/31/14
Administrative Items	2	2	0
Civil	2	0	2
Complaint	3	1	2
Electric	109	87	22
Gas and Electric	1	1	0
Grain Warehouse	1	1	0
Hydrocarbon Pipeline	2	2	0
Natural Gas	8	7	1
Pipeline Safety	1	1	0
SD One Call	33	21	12
Telecommunications	91	82	9
TOTALS	253	205	48

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ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

AA14-001 - Establishment of the Gross Receipts Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2015

Date Filed: 04/21/14 ♦ Completed: 05/14/14

AA14-002 - In the Matter of the Procedure for Consideration of Notices of Exception (6) from Master Metering Prohibition Requirements

Date Filed: 05/13/14 ♦ Closed: 06/05/14

CIVIL DOCKETS

18CIV14000053 - Gerald Pesall vs Montana Dakota Utilities, Otter Tail Power, Schuring Farms Inc., Bradley Morehouse, SDPUC

Date Filed: 09/17/14 ♦ Pending

Civ14-331 - The State of South Dakota vs. Stone Hill Construction, Inc.

Date Filed: 10/07/14 ♦ Pending

COMPLAINT DOCKETS

CE14-001 - In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Rod and Cheryl Goeman, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, against Xcel Energy Regarding an Electric Service Dispute

Date Filed: 07/31/14 ♦ Completed: 09/08/14

CT14-001 - In the Matter of the Complaint filed by George W. and Carol A. Ferebee, Hill City, South Dakota, against Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC Regarding a Telephone Service Dispute

Date Filed: 10/09/14 ♦ Pending

CT14-002 - In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Jon D. and Barbara J. Wilson, Hill City, South Dakota, against Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC Regarding a Telephone Service Dispute

Date Filed: 10/10/14 ♦ Pending

ELECTRIC DOCKETS

- EL14-001** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 01/06/14 ♦ Completed: 03/04/14
- EL14-002** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Sioux Valley Energy and Volga Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 01/06/14 ♦ Completed: 03/04/14
- EL14-003** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Lake Region Electric Association, Inc. and Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/07/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-004** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Beresford Municipal Electric and MidAmerican Energy Company
Date Filed: 01/08/14 ♦ Completed: 05/06/14
- EL14-005** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Black Hills Power, Inc. and Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/09/14 ♦ Completed: 03/05/14
- EL14-006** - In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Petition of Tariff Revisions to its Rates for Small Power Production and Cogeneration
Date Filed: 01/14/14 ♦ Completed: 03/05/14
- EL14-007** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/21/14 ♦ Completed: 03/06/14
- EL14-008** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Central Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/21/14 ♦ Completed: 03/06/14
- EL14-009** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/21/14 ♦ Completed: 03/06/14
- EL14-010** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy and Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 01/21/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-011** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 02/11/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-012** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Badger Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 02/11/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14

- EL14-013** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval of Transmission Facilities Adjustment
Date Filed: 02/14/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- EL14-014** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Lake Region Electric Association, Inc. and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 02/19/14 ♦ Completed: 03/25/14
- EL14-015** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Oahe Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Onida Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 02/20/14 ♦ Completed: 05/15/14
- EL14-016** - In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval of its 2014 Transmission Cost Recovery Eligibility and Rate Adjustment
Date Filed: 02/21/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-017** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Lake Region Electric Association, Inc.
Date Filed: 02/25/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-018** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 02/25/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-019** - In the Matter of the Filing of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval of its 2014 Economic Development Plan
Date Filed: 02/25/14 ♦ *(Completed: 03/18/15)*
- EL14-020** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc. and H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 03/03/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-021** - In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions
Date Filed: 03/10/14 ♦ Completed: 03/25/14
- EL14-022** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Langford Municipal Electric and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 03/12/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- EL14-023** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Langford Municipal Electric and Lake Region Electric Association, Inc.
Date Filed: 03/12/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- EL14-024** - In the Matter of the Filing of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval of its 2013 Economic Development Activities and 2014 Budget
Date Filed: 03/18/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14
- EL14-025** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Estelline Municipal Electric and H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 03/19/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14

- EL14-026** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Authority to Increase its Electric Rates
Date Filed: 03/31/14 ♦ Pending
- EL14-027** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Beadle Electric Cooperative dba Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc. and Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 03/31/14 ♦ Completed: 06/02/14
- EL14-028** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 03/31/14 ♦ Completed: 05/30/14
- EL14-029** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Otter Tail Power Company and Lake Region Electric Association, Inc.
Date Filed: 04/03/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- EL14-030** - In the Matter of the Petition of MidAmerican Energy Company for Extension of Test Period
Date Filed: 04/03/14 ♦ Completed: 05/02/14
- EL14-031** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 04/04/14 ♦ Completed: 06/19/14
- EL14-032** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 04/08/14 ♦ Completed: 05/30/14
- EL14-033** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between FEM Electric Association, Inc. and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 04/09/14 ♦ Completed: 06/18/14
- EL14-034** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for an Order Authorizing it to Issue up to \$110 Million in Additional First Mortgage Bonds
Date Filed: 04/23/14 ♦ Completed: 05/19/14
- EL14-035** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Oahe Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 04/28/14 ♦ Completed: 08/11/14
- EL14-036** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 04/28/14 ♦ Completed: 05/30/14
- EL14-037** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval of its Environmental Improvement Adjustment
Date Filed: 04/30/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- EL14-038** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval to Extend Its Energy Efficiency Solutions Plan
Date Filed: 04/30/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
Date Reopened: 06/30/14 ♦ Reclosed: 08/28/14

- EL14-039** - In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company Regarding Its 2013 Report and 2014 Energy Efficiency Plan Update
Date Filed: 05/01/14 ♦ Completed: 08/28/14
- EL14-040** - In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval of Its 2013 Demand Side Management Report and 2015 Proposed Demand Side Management Plan
Date Filed: 05/01/14 ♦ Completed: 12/23/14
- EL14-041** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Sioux Valley Energy fka Southwestern Electric Cooperative Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative Inc.
Date Filed: 05/02/14 ♦ Completed: 05/30/14
- EL14-042** - In the Matter of the Complaint by Prelude, L.L.C. against Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Butte Electric Cooperative, Inc., Grand Electric Cooperative, Inc., Moreau-Grand Electric Cooperative, Inc., Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Rushmore Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. for Refusing to Enter into Qualified Facilities Purchase Power Agreements
Date Filed: 05/05/14 ♦ Completed: 07/24/14
- EL14-043** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc. and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 05/12/14 ♦ Completed: 06/18/14
- EL14-044** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Clay-Union Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Union County Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/12/14 ♦ Completed: 06/20/14
- EL14-045** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Sioux Valley Energy and H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/12/14 ♦ Completed: 06/20/14
- EL14-046** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc. and Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/15/14 ♦ Completed: 08/11/14
- EL14-047** - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of Tariff Revisions
Date Filed: 05/16/14 ♦ Completed: 07/09/14
- EL14-048** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/20/14 ♦ Completed: 07/11/14
- EL14-049** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Traverse Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/21/14 ♦ Completed: 07/11/14
- EL14-050** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc. and Tyndall Municipal Electric Association
Date Filed: 05/27/14 ♦ Completed: 07/11/14

- EL14-051** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between H-D Electric Cooperative Inc. and Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative Inc.
Date Filed: 05/29/14 ♦ Completed: 07/14/14
- EL14-052** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Wessington Springs Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 05/30/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- EL14-053** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 06/09/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- EL14-054** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy and Tyndall Municipal Electric Association
Date Filed: 06/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- EL14-055** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Bryant Municipal Electric and H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 06/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- EL14-056** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric Cooperative Inc. and City of Flandreau Municipal Utilities
Date Filed: 06/12/14 ♦ Completed: 07/15/14
- EL14-057** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Territory Exchange Agreement between Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy and Southeastern Electric Cooperative Inc.
Date Filed: 06/16/14 ♦ Completed: 07/14/14
- EL14-058** - In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Authority to Increase its Electric Rates
Date Filed: 06/23/14 ♦ Pending
- EL14-059** - In the Matter of the Filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Approval of Tariff Revisions
Date Filed: 06/23/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- EL14-060** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Arlington Municipal Electric and Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 06/24/14 ♦ Completed: 08/11/14
- EL14-061** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for a Permit to Construct a 230 kV Transmission Line from Northeastern Wyoming to the Rapid City Area in South Dakota
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/30/15)
- EL14-062** - In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of its Tariff Revisions
Date Filed: 07/02/14 ♦ Completed: 08/28/14
- EL14-063** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Arlington Municipal Electric and Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 07/10/14 ♦ Completed: 08/11/14

- EL14-064** - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of a Contract with Deviations
Date Filed: 07/15/14 ♦ Completed: 08/14/14
- EL14-065** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 07/23/14 ♦ Completed: 09/08/14
- EL14-066** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Clay-Union Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 07/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/08/14
- EL14-067** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 07/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/08/14
- EL14-068** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Association, Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 07/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/05/14
- EL14-069** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Union County Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 08/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/05/14
- EL14-070** - In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Request for Approval to Revise Its Fuel Adjustment Clause Rider to Include Emissions Controls Costs
Date Filed: 08/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/18/14
- EL14-071** - In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval of a Temporary Service Territory Exception Agreement with Sioux Valley Energy Electric Cooperative
Date Filed: 08/01/14 ♦ Completed: 08/19/14
- EL14-072** - In the Matter of the Application of MidAmerican Energy Company for Authority to Increase its Electric Rates
Date Filed: 08/04/14 ♦ Pending
- EL14-073** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc. and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 08/12/14 ♦ Completed: 09/18/14
- EL14-074** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Big Stone City Municipal Electric and Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 08/14/14 ♦ Completed: 09/18/14
- EL14-075** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Burke Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 08/14/14 ♦ Completed: 09/18/14
- EL14-076** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Colman Municipal Electric and Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 08/14/14 ♦ Completed: 09/18/14

- EL14-077** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Niobrara Electric Association and Black Hills Power
Date Filed: 08/25/14 ♦ Completed: 10/08/14
- EL14-078** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy and Sioux Valley-Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. dba Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 08/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/09/14
- EL14-079** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Hecla Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 08/27/14 ♦ Completed: 10/08/14
- EL14-080** - In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval of its 2015 Transmission Cost Recovery Eligibility and Rate Rider Adjustment
Date Filed: 08/29/14 ♦ Completed: 12/23/14
- EL14-081** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for an Electric Service Territory Boundary Change between Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy and Southeastern Electric Cooperative Inc.
Date Filed: 08/29/14 ♦ Completed: 10/08/14
- EL14-082** - In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company to Establish an Environmental Quality Cost Recovery Tariff
Date Filed: 08/29/14 ♦ Completed: 12/10/14
- EL14-083** - In the Matter of the Joint Request by Otter Tail Power Company and Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy for Approval to Transfer Permit for 345kV Transmission Facilities to Joint Ownership
Date Filed: 09/17/14 ♦ Completed: 10/31/14
- EL14-084** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Flandreau Municipal Electric and Sioux Valley-Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. dba Sioux Valley Energy
Date Filed: 09/24/14 ♦ Completed: 10/31/14
- EL14-085** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 09/25/14 ♦ Completed: 10/31/14
- EL14-086** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Groton Municipal Electric and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 10/14/14 ♦ Completed: 11/18/14
- EL14-087** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy and Central Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 10/16/14 ♦ Completed: 11/19/14
- EL14-088** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Beresford Municipal Electric Department and Clay-Union Electric Cooperative
Date Filed: 10/20/14 ♦ Completed: 12/01/14

- EL14-089** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Beresford Municipal Electric Department and Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Date Filed: 10/24/14 ♦ Completed: 12/01/14
- EL14-090** - In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of its 2015 Transmission Cost Recovery Eligibility and Rate Adjustment
Date Filed: 10/31/14 ♦ (Completed: 02/25/15)
- EL14-091** - In the Matter of the Joint Request for Service Rights Exception between Lake Region Electric Association, Inc. and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 11/05/14 ♦ Completed: 12/10/14
- EL14-092** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Winner Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 11/12/14 ♦ Completed: 12/10/14
- EL14-093** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Charles Mix Electric Association, Inc. aka Charles Mix Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Pickstown Municipal Electric
Date Filed: 11/19/14 ♦ Completed: 12/10/14
- EL14-094** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-095** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Sioux Valley-Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. dba Sioux Valley Energy and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-096** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Traverse Electric Cooperative Inc. and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-097** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between White Municipal Electric and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-098** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Big Stone City Municipal Electric and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-099** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Badger Municipal Electric and Otter Tail Power Company
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-100** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc. and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)

- EL14-101** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Clay-Union Electric Cooperative and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-102** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc. and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 12/02/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-103** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc. fka Spink Electric Cooperative, Inc. and NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy
Date Filed: 12/05/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-104** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Otter Tail Power Company and Lake Region Electric Association Inc.
Date Filed: 12/08/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-105** - In the Matter of the Request for Approval of an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Clay-Union Electric Cooperative and Vermillion Light and Power
Date Filed: 12/15/14 ♦ (Completed: 01/09/15)
- EL14-106** - In the Matter of the Application of NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Authority to Increase Its Electric Rates
Date Filed: 12/19/14 ♦ Pending
- EL14-107** - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of Tariff Revisions
Date Filed: 12/19/14 ♦ (Completed: 02/03/15)
- EL14-108** - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval of 2013-2014 Vegetation Management Activities and 2015 Budget
Date Filed: 12/19/14 ♦ (Completed: 03/18/15)
- EL14-109** - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of a Contract with Deviations
Date Filed: 12/31/14 ♦ (Completed: 02/05/15)

GAS AND ELECTRIC DOCKET

- GE14-001** - In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for the Approval of Its Reconciliation for 2013 and its Proposed Energy Efficiency Plan for 2014
Date Filed: 02/27/14 ♦ Completed: 05/02/14
Reopened: 10/10/14 ♦ Completed: 10/31/14

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DOCKET

- GW14-001** - In the Matter of the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement between American Edge Grain dba Madison Bin City and PUC Staff
Date Filed: 08/25/14 ♦ Completed: 09/05/14

NATURAL GAS DOCKETS

NG14-001 – In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of Its 2014 Economic Development Proposed Budget and 2013 Economic Development Expenses

Date Filed: 03/31/14 ♦ Completed: 05/02/14

NG14-002 - In the Matter of the Petition of MidAmerican Energy Company for Extension of Test Period

Date Filed: 04/03/14 ♦ Completed: 05/02/14

NG14-003 - In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of Its 2013 Economic Development Activities and 2014 Proposed Budget

Date Filed: 04/17/14 ♦ Completed: 06/02/14

NG14-004 - In the Matter of the Filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Approval of its Revised Conservation Tracking Adjustment

Date Filed: 05/09/14 ♦ Completed: 07/10/14

NG14-005 - In the Matter of the Application of MidAmerican Energy Company for Authority to Increase its Natural Gas Rates

Date Filed: 08/04/14 ♦ Pending

NG14-006 - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of its Tariff Revisions

Date Filed: 08/28/14 ♦ Completed: 10/08/14

NG14-007 - In the Matter of the Filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Approval of its Conservation Portfolio Plan 2015-2017

Date Filed: 10/03/14 ♦ *(Completed: 01/02/15)*

NG14-008 - In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy for Approval of its Tariff Revisions

Date Filed: 10/08/14 ♦ Completed: 11/19/14

HYDROCARBON PIPELINE DOCKETS

HP14-001 - In the Matter of the Petition of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP for Order Accepting Certification of Permit Issued in Docket HP09-001 to Construct the Keystone XL Pipeline

Date Filed: 09/15/14 ♦ Pending

HP14-002 - In the Matter of the Application of Dakota Access, LLC for an Energy Facility Permit to Construct the Dakota Access Pipeline

Date Filed: 12/15/14 ♦ Pending

PIPELINE SAFETY DOCKET

PS14-001 - In the Matter of the Filing by Watertown Municipal Utilities for a Waiver of 49 C.F.R. 192.285(a)(2) and C.F.R. 192.285(c)

Date Filed: 04/28/14 ♦ Completed: 07/14/14

SOUTH DAKOTA ONE CALL COMPLAINTS

- OC14-001** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Chad Zandstra Construction, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on January 10, 2014, at 3714 Padre Drive, Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 02/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/29/14
- OC14-002** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against B & B Excavating, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on February 14, 2014, at Lot 6 Duckhorn Drive, Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 02/27/14 ♦ Completed: 05/20/14
- OC14-003** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Rapid Construction Co. LLC, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on February 20, 2014, at Far West end of Cobalt Drive, Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 02/27/14 ♦ Completed: 10/14/14
- OC14-004** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by City of Big Stone City, Big Stone City, South Dakota, Against CenturyLink, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on January 31, 2014, at 808 4th Ave., Big Stone City, S.D.
Date Filed: 03/13/14 ♦ Completed: 06/18/14
- OC14-005** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Al Sutton Electric, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on February 25, 2014, at 2017 E. Hwy 44, Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 04/09/14 ♦ Completed: 10/14/14
- OC14-006** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Brewer Construction Inc., Piedmont, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on March 26, 2014, at 6782 Cambridge Ct., Summerset, S.D.
Date Filed: 04/09/14 ♦ Completed: 10/10/14
- OC14-007** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Lind Exco, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on March 27, 2014, at 1851 Discovery Circle, Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 04/09/14 ♦ Completed: 09/11/14
- OC14-008** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Warax Excavating Inc., Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on April 11, 2014, at 616 Watts Ln., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 04/15/14 ♦ Completed: 10/09/14
- OC14-009** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by South Dakota Network dba SDN Communications, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Against First Rate Excavate, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 12, 2013, at 2800 W. 41st St., Sioux Falls, S.D.
Date Filed: 05/14/14 ♦ Completed: 09/11/14
- OC14-010** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by MidAmerican Energy Company, Urbandale, Iowa, Against Hodkinson Construction, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on April 25, 2014, at 511 and 515 S. Second Ave., Sioux Falls, S.D.
Date Filed: 06/03/14 ♦ Completed: 10/10/14

- OC14-011** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Mitchell Telecom, Mitchell, S.D., Against Schoenfelder Construction, Mitchell, S.D., for an Incident Occurring on June 10, 2014, at North Montana and West 8th Ave., Mitchell, S.D.
Date Filed: 06/12/14 ♦ Completed: 10/14/14
- OC14-012** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by May Construction, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Against MidAmerican Energy Company, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on June 10, 2014, at State Ave. and E. 9th St., Dell Rapids, S.D.
Date Filed: 06/19/14 ♦ Completed: 09/11/14
- OC14-013** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Mitchell Telecom, Mitchell, South Dakota, Against Schoenfelder Construction, Mitchell, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on June 10, 2014, at North Iowa Ave and West 8th Ave., Mitchell, S.D.
Date Filed: 06/25/14 ♦ Completed: 10/14/14
- OC14-014** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by CenturyLink, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Against Action Electric, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on June 3, 2014, at 41st St. and Sertoma Ave., Sioux Falls, S.D.
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/11/14
- OC14-015** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against RL Construction and Design, Hill City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on April 16, 2014, at 2451 Emerson Ln., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 07/02/14 ♦ Completed: 09/11/14
- OC14-016** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Hardeneye Concrete, Inc., Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on April 23, 2014, at 22956 Candlelight Dr., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 07/02/14 ♦ Completed: 10/21/14
- OC14-017** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Lance Wellman, Hill City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on April 16, 2014, at 2451 Emerson Ln., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 07/14/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-018** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by South Dakota Network dba SDN Communications, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Against Q3 Contracting, Inc., Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on May 30, 2014, at North side of A Ave. & Blackhawk, Sioux Falls, S.D.
Date Filed: 08/29/14 ♦ Completed: 11/14/14
- OC14-019** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Watertown Municipal Utilities, Watertown, South Dakota, Against Clausen Construction Inc., Watertown, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 5, 2014, at 2600 14th Ave. NE, Watertown, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/09/14 ♦ Completed: 11/19/14
- OC14-020** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by NorthWestern Energy, Brookings, South Dakota, Against Kerry's Landscaping & Irrigation, Brookings, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 9, 2014, at 933 Crystal Ridge Rd., Brookings, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/10/14 ♦ Completed: 11/14/14

- OC14-021** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by CenturyLink, Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Spearfish Forest Products LLC, Spearfish, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 16, 2014, at Tinton Road, 1 Mile North of Beaver Creek Road, Spearfish, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/16/14 ♦ Completed: 11/14/14
- OC14-022** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Second Nature Landscaping, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on July 2, 2014, at 2915 Marlin Dr., Rapid, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-023** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against J X T Excavating, New Underwood, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on July 3, 2014, at 7341 Castlewood Dr., Summerset, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-024** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Olson Construction Inc., Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on July 8, 2014, at 824 Farlow St., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-025** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Nelsen Construction, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on July 21, 2014, at 3249 Marvel Mt. Rd., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-026** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Concrete Professionals, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 3, 2014, at 305 E. Bengal Dr., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-027** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Decorative Concrete Design, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 4, 2014, at 612 Ziebach St., Rapid City, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/19/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-028** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Watertown Municipal Utilities, Watertown, South Dakota, Against Hobart Construction, Watertown, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 15, 2014, at 1155 Fourth St. NW, Watertown, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/23/14 ♦ Pending
- OC14-029** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by Crooks Municipal Utilities, Crooks, South Dakota, Against Emily Maras, Crooks, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 20, 2014, at 813 Executive Ave., Crooks, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/24/14 ♦ Completed: 11/14/14
- OC14-030** - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by City of Brandon, Brandon, South Dakota, Against Krueger Excavating Inc., Sioux Falls, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on September 19, 2014, at 0 E. Ponderosa Circle, Brandon, S.D.
Date Filed: 09/25/14 ♦ Pending

OC14-031 - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by CenturyLink, Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Salzsieder Construction, Spearfish, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on August 25, 2014, at the Alley between Oliver and Ames North of St. Joe, Spearfish, S.D.

Date Filed: 10/09/14 ♦ Pending

OC14-032 - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by CenturyLink, Rapid City, South Dakota, Against Black Hills Septic and Ditching, Rapid City, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on August 27, 2014, at the Rear of 205 1/2 E. Watertown St., Rapid City, S.D.

Date Filed: 10/14/14 ♦ Pending

OC14-033 - In the Matter of the Complaint Filed by AGK Electric, Vermillion, South Dakota, Against City of Vermillion, Vermillion, South Dakota, for an Incident Occurring on October 10, 2014, at the 612 N. Norbeck St., Vermillion, S.D.

Date Filed: 12/29/14 ♦ Pending

TELECOMMUNICATIONS DOCKETS

TC14-001 - In the Matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC for Waiver of Switched Access Cost Study

Date Filed: 01/27/14 ♦ Completed: 03/18/14

TC14-002 - In the Matter of the Application of Intrado Communications Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Local Exchange Services and Interexchange Long Distance Services in South Dakota

Date Filed: 02/20/14 ♦ Completed: 11/25/14

TC14-003 - In the Matter of the Filing by Midstate Communications, Inc. fka Midstate Telecom, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to Midstate Telecom, Inc.'s Access Tariffs No. 2

Date Filed: 02/27/14 ♦ Completed: 04/04/14

TC14-004 - In the Matter of the Filing by Onvoy, Inc. dba Onvoy Voice Services for Approval of Waiver of the Utilization Threshold Requirements in Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Date Filed: 03/03/14 ♦ Completed: 03/25/14

TC14-005 - In the Matter of the Petition of Fiber Ring Revenue-Pooling Association for Approval of Amended Revenue Pooling Documents

Date Filed: 03/03/14 ♦ Completed: 07/08/14

TC14-006 - In the Matter of the Approval of a Wireline Adoption Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and BCN Telecom, Inc.

Date Filed: 03/11/14 ♦ Completed: 04/17/14

TC14-007 - In the Matter of the Application of City of Brookings Municipal Telephone dba Swiftel Communications for an Amended Certificate of Authority

Date Filed: 03/18/14 ♦ Completed: 04/21/14

TC14-008 - In the Matter of the Request for a Declaratory Ruling by SNET America, Inc. regarding Specifying What the Company Must do to Address the De Minimus Provision of Intrastate Long Distance Service Without a Certificate of Authority

Date Filed: 03/27/14 ♦ Completed: 05/12/14

- TC14-009** - In the Matter of the Filing by Airus, Inc. for Approval of its Access Service Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 03/28/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- TC14-010** - In the Matter of the Filing by AT&T Corp. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services and Network Interconnection Services Tariff
Date Filed: 04/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/08/14
- TC14-011** - In the Matter of the Filing by Teleport Communications America, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Service Tariff
Date Filed: 04/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/08/14
- TC14-012** - In the Matter of the Filing by Teleport Communications America, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff
Date Filed: 04/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/07/14
- TC14-013** - In the Matter of the Filing by Metropolitan Telecommunications of South Dakota, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Tariffs No. 2
Date Filed: 04/21/14 ♦ Completed: 05/16/14
- TC14-014** - In the Matter of the Approval of an Intercarrier Compensation Bill and Keep Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and T-Mobile USA, Inc.
Date Filed: 05/01/14 ♦ Completed: 06/04/14
- TC14-015** - In the Matter of the Filing by Metropolitan Telecommunications of South Dakota, Inc. dba MetTel for Approval of Revisions of its Access Services Tariff No. 3
Date Filed: 05/05/14 ♦ Completed: 07/07/14
- TC14-016** - In the Matter of the Filing by Granite Telecommunications, LLC for Approval of Revisions of its Access Services Tariff No. 3
Date Filed: 05/07/14 ♦ Completed: 07/08/14
- TC14-017** - In the Matter of the Filing by Knology of the Plains, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 05/23/14 ♦ Completed: 08/25/14
- TC14-018** - In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Service Tariff
Date Filed: 05/23/14 ♦ Completed: 07/09/14
- TC14-019** - In the Matter of the Petition of Blue Jay Wireless, LLC, for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier
Date Filed: 05/23/14 ♦ Pending
- TC14-020** - In the Matter of the Filing by BCN Telecom, Inc. for Approval of its Access Service Tariff No. 3
Date Filed: 05/29/14 ♦ Completed: 07/09/14
- TC14-021** - In the Matter of the Filing by Knology of the Black Hills, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 05/29/14 ♦ Completed: 08/25/14
- TC14-022** - In the Matter of the Application of CenturyLink Public Communications, Inc. dba CenturyLink for an Amended Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Long Distance Services as an Alternative Operator Service
Date Filed: 05/21/14 ♦ Completed: 09/05/14

- TC14-023** - In the Matter of the Filing by TNCI Operating Company LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 06/03/14 ♦ Completed: 07/09/14
- TC14-024** - In the Matter of the Filing OrbitCom, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 2
Date Filed: 06/10/14 ♦ Completed: 07/25/14
- TC14-025** - In the Matter of the Application of Correct Solutions, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Long Distance Services as an Alternative Operator Service
Date Filed: 06/12/14 ♦ Completed: 08/25/14
- TC14-026** - In the Matter of the Request of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/17/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-027** - In the Matter of the Request of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/19/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-028** - In the Matter of the Filing by dishNET Wireline L.L.C. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 2
Date Filed: 06/19/14 ♦ Completed: 08/08/14
- TC14-029** - In the Matter of the Application of Toly Digital Networks, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Long Distance Services in South Dakota
Date Filed: 06/19/14 ♦ Completed: 08/13/14
- TC14-030** - In the Matter of the Filing by Midcontinent Communications for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff
Date Filed: 06/23/14 ♦ Completed: 07/28/14
- TC14-031** - In the Matter of the Request of Knology of the Black Hills, LLC for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/23/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-032** - In the Matter of the Request of Knology Community Telephone, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/23/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-033** - In the Matter of the Request of Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc. for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/25/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-034** - In the Matter of the Request of City of Faith Municipal Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-035** - In the Matter of the Request of Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14

- TC14-036** - In the Matter of the Request of Beresford Municipal Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-037** - In the Matter of the Request of Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association and RC Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-038** - In the Matter of the Request of TrioTel Communications Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/26/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-039** - In the Matter of the Filing by MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC dba Verizon Access Transmission Services for Approval of Revisions to its Access Service Tariff No. 2
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 07/24/14
- TC14-040** - In the Matter of the Request of Northern Valley Communications, L.L.C. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-041** - In the Matter of the Filing by Sancom, Inc. dba Mitchell Telecom for Approval of Revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 08/27/14
- TC14-042** - In the Matter of the Filing by Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. - SSTELECOM (CLEC Tariff), for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 08/27/14
- TC14-043** - In the Matter of the Request of James Valley Wireless, LLC for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-044** - In the Matter of the Request of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-045** - In the Matter of the Request of Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-046** - In the Matter of the Request of Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. fka SSTELECOM, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-047** - In the Matter of the Request of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-048** - In the Matter of the Request of Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14

- TC14-049** - In the Matter of the Request of West River Telecommunications Cooperative (Mobridge) for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/27/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-050** - In the Matter of the Request of Jefferson Telephone Company for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-051** - In the Matter of the Request of Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Study Area Codes: 391640, 391659, 391667, 391677, 391684 and 391686 for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-052** - In the Matter of the Filing by Sprint Communications Company L.P. for Approval of its Access Services Tariff No. 3
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 08/14/14
- TC14-053** - In the Matter of the Request of Midstate Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-054** - In the Matter of the Request of Venture Communications Cooperative for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-055** - In the Matter of the Request of Western Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-056** - In the Matter of the Request of Long Lines Wireless, LLC for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-057** - In the Matter of the Request of Fort Randall Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-058** - In the Matter of the Request of Red River Rural Telephone Association dba Red River Communications for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-059** - In the Matter of the Request of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-060** - In the Matter of the Filing by Teleport Communications America, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 08/21/14
- TC14-061** - In the Matter of the Request of Midcontinent Communications for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14

- TC14-062** - In the Matter of the Request of RT Communications Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-063** - In the Matter of the Filing by South Dakota Network, LLC for an Extension of an Exemption from Developing Company Specific Cost-Based Switched Access Rates
Date Filed: 06/30/14 ♦ Completed: 12/23/14
- TC14-064** - In the Matter of the Request of Santel Communications Cooperative for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-065** - In the Matter of the Request of West River Cooperative Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-066** - In the Matter of the Request of Valley Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-067** - In the Matter of the Filing by McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. dba PAETEC Business Services for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 3
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 08/26/14
- TC14-068** - In the Matter of the Request of Brookings Municipal Telephone dba Swiftel Communications for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-069** - In the Matter of the Request of City of Brookings Municipal Telephone for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-070** - In the Matter of the Filing by Sage Telecom Communications, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Tariff No. 1
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 08/14/14
- TC14-071** - In the Matter of the Request of CenturyLink QC for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Date Filed: 07/01/14 ♦ Completed: 09/26/14
- TC14-072** - In the Matter of the Application of New Horizons Communications Corp. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Local Exchange Services in South Dakota
Date Filed: 07/09/14 ♦ Completed: 10/07/14
- TC14-073** - In the Matter of the Joint Application of Kite Parent Corp. (a Subsidiary of WideOpenWest Finance, LLC) and Its Subsidiaries Knology of the Plains, Inc., Knology of the Black Hills, LLC, Knology Community Telephone, Inc., Knology of South Dakota, Inc., and Black Hills Fiber Systems, Inc. and Clarity Telecom, LLC Regarding the Sale of Telephone Exchanges to Clarity Telecom, LLC, Transfer of Certificates of Authority, Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation, and Relinquishment of Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designations
Date Filed: 07/15/14 ♦ Completed: 10/30/14

- TC14-074** - In the Matter of the Filing by dishNET Wireline L.L.C. for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 2
Date Filed: 07/15/14 ♦ Completed: 08/14/14
- TC14-075** - In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC for Approval of Revisions to its Exchange and Network Tariff No. 1
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- TC14-076** - In the Matter of the Filing by Native American Telecom, LLC for Approval of its Access Service Tariff No. 2
Date Filed: 07/24/14 ♦ Completed: 10/30/14
- TC14-077** - In the Matter of the Filing by Level 3 Communications, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff No. 3
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