

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company
on Behalf of Big Stone II Co-Owners for an
Energy Conversion Facility Permit for the
Construction of the Big Stone II Project

Docket No. EL 05-022

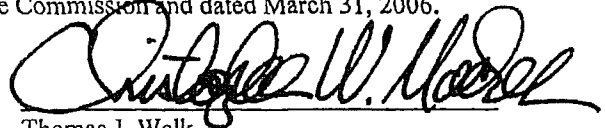
**JOINT MOTION AND STIPULATION TO
AMEND SECOND SCHEDULING AND
PROCEDURAL ORDER**

Applicants, by and through their attorneys of record and Intervenor, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient Economy, Izaak Walton League of America- Midwest Office and the Union of Concerned Scientists (hereinafter collectively referred to as "MCEA"), by and through their attorneys of record, jointly move and stipulate as follows:

1. MCEA's motion to compel discovery is withdrawn. Applicant shall provide responses to IR 17, which is a request for information served in the matter of the Application for a Certificate of Need for Transmission Lines in Western Minnesota, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission Docket No. ET-6131, ET-2, ET-6130, E-252, ET-10, ET-6444, E-017, ET/CN-05-619 and incorporated by reference in MCEA's Fourth Set of Requests for Production of Documents dated March 9, 2006 and served in this docket, as limited by MCEA and agreed by the parties.
2. The Second Scheduling and Procedural Order dated March 31, 2006 be amended as follows:
 - a. MCEA shall file and serve the direct testimony of David Schlissel/Anna Sommer of Synapse Energy pertaining to information provided in response to IR 17 no later than 5:00 PM CDT on Friday, May 26, 2006.

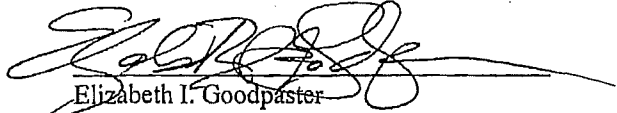
- b. Applicants shall file any testimony rebutting the Schlissel/Sommer testimony filed and served on May 26 no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, June 16, 2006.
- c. Any surrebuttal testimony pertaining to the rebuttal testimony filed by the Applicants shall be filed and served no later than 12:00 noon on Thursday, June 22, 2006.
- d. All other testimony shall be filed and served as set forth in the Second Scheduling and Procedural Order entered by the Commission and dated March 31, 2006.

Dated this 12th day of May, 2006.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Christopher W. Madsen, do hereby certify that I am a member of the law firm of Boyce, Greenfield, Pashby & Welk, L.L.P., attorneys for the Co-owners of Big Stone II Project and that on the 12th day of May, 2006, true and correct copies of the Joint Motion and Stipulation to Amend Second Scheduling and Procedural Order were served via email to the following addresses listed on the E-Service List:

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