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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57504-5070

Re: Basin Electric Power Cooperative - Docket EL04-041

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In order to comply with SDCL 49-41B-38 and as required by the Stipulation and Order in the above-captioned docket, Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric) secured an Indemnity Bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 prior to construction of the Groton Station (Project).

Basin Electric constructed the Project in Brown County, with construction phases ending in 2006 (Unit 1) and 2008 (Unit 2). Our bonding obligation is to compensate for any damages beyond normal wear to public roads, highways or bridges or other related facilities caused by or attributable to activities relating to the construction of the Project. The Brown County Highway Superintendent concurred that no damages exist and no compensation is required (see attached). Given the County's concurrence, Basin Electric requests the bonding obligation for the Project be terminated.

If you should have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me at 701.557.5495 or ksolie@bepc.com.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Solie, P.E.

Senior Water Quality/Waste Management Coordinator

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Attachment