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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: 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. EL05-022)

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

Please accept for filing a certified copy and ten copies of the pro hac vice admissions of Bruce Nilles, Patrick Gallagher, and George Hays.

In addition, please find enclosed for filing the original and ten copies of the following documents:

- Notice of Appearance (Bruce Nilles)
- Notice of Appearance (Patrick Gallagher)
- Notice of Appearance (George Hays)
- Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (415) 977-5693 or elly.benson@sierraclub.org.

Thank you,

Elly Benson
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Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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Company on behalf of Big Stone II)
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Facility Permit for the Construction)
Of the Big Stone II Project)

DOCKET NO. EL05-022

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on January 9, 2006, true and correct copies of the following documents were served by United States first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the recipients below:

- Order (Pro Hac Vice Admission, Bruce Nilles)
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- Order (Pro Hac Vice Admission, Patrick Gallagher)
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- Order (Pro Hac Vice Admission, George Hays)
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