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Mr. Robert W. Hill  
Brookings County Zoning & Drainage  
601 4th Street, Suite 105  
Brookings, SD 57006

**RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF XCEL ENERGY FOR A  
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT TO BUILD 9.65 MILES OF THE BUFFALO RIDGE TO  
BROOKINGS COUNTY 115 KV TRANSMISSION LINE, TWO 0.4 MILE  
BROOKINGS COUNTY TO WHITE 345 KV TRANSMISSION LINES, THE  
BROOKINGS COUNTY SUBSTATION AND TO ADD FACILITIES TO THE  
WHITE SUBSTATION  
DOCKET EL05-028**

**FINAL STIPULATION**

Dear Mr. Hill:

Please find enclosed the final stipulation for the above project. This document outlines the overall project we have proposed to the South Dakota PUC and lays out the proposed order and conditions. Please keep this copy in your files and feel free to contact me if there are questions. I can be reached at 715-839-4661 or [pamela.jo.rasmussen@xcelenergy.com](mailto:pamela.jo.rasmussen@xcelenergy.com). You can also contact Ms. Karen Cremer at the South Dakota PUC (605-773-3201).

Thank you for your assistance in the permitting of this project. We appreciated your input and support.

Sincerely,

Pamela Jo Rasmussen  
Supervisor, Team Lead, Siting & Permitting

Enclosures

C: Karen Cremer