

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition for Electrical Service	)	
by South Dakota Oilseed Processors, LLC to	)	Docket No. EL08-011
Have North Western Energy Assigned as its	)	
Electrical Provider in the Service Area	)	
of Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc.	)	

**PETITION OF DAKOTA ENERGY COOPERATIVE, INC. TO INTERVENE**

Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc. (“Dakota Energy”) hereby petitions to intervene as a party in this matter pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:15.02 to the Petition of South Dakota Oilseed Processors, LLC (“Oilseed”) to have North Western Energy (“North Western”) as the electric supplier for its agricultural processing facility located in Hand County, South Dakota.

In support of this Petition, Dakota Energy states that it is an interested party in Docket EL06-011, for the following reasons:

1. The proposed site of the agricultural processing facility is within the exclusive assigned service territory of Dakota Energy.
2. Dakota Energy has served the location within the area continuously for many years including service prior to March 21, 1975.
3. Dakota Energy can and is willing to furnish an adequate and reliable electrical supply to the agricultural processing facility.
4. While Dakota Energy does not at this point formally object to Oilseed’s Petition, Dakota Energy may elect to do so if it should be established that the requirements of SDCL 49-34A-3 are being violated or if the criteria as set forth in SDCL 49-34A-56 do not justify or allow North Western to serve the agricultural processing facility.

5. Dakota Energy requests permission to intervene for the purpose of presenting testimony and or to contest the petition of Oilseed if discovery of sufficient facts and information warrant such objection.

WHEREFORE, Dakota Energy requests the Commission grant its Petition and allow it to intervene and be granted party status in this proceeding.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day May, 2008.



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