

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY) APPLICATION FOR PARTY
BASIN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE,) STATUS
INC. FOR AN ENERGY CONVERSION)
FACILITY SITING PERMIT FOR THE DEER) EL09-015
CREEK STATION PROJECT COMBINED-)
CYCLE NATURAL GAS ENERGY)
CONVERSION FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED)
INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING A WATER)
SUPPLY SYSTEM AND ELECTRIC)
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM)

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, Brookings County Commission
(Name of Applicant)

petitions the Public Utilities Commission to be granted party status in the above-referenced energy conversion facility permit proceeding.

Robert W. Hill
Signature of Applicant

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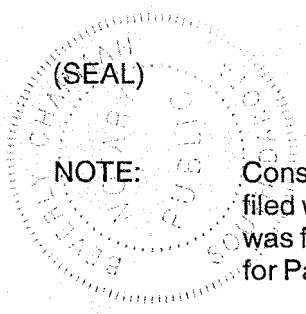
Brookings County
Name of Organization if applicable

September 30, 2009
Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, 2009.

Beverly Chapman
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 1-19-2013



NOTE: Consistent with SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, this application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission within 60 days from the date the application was filed. The facility application was filed July 28, 2009. Therefore, this Application for Party Status form should have been filed in the Commission's offices on or before