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

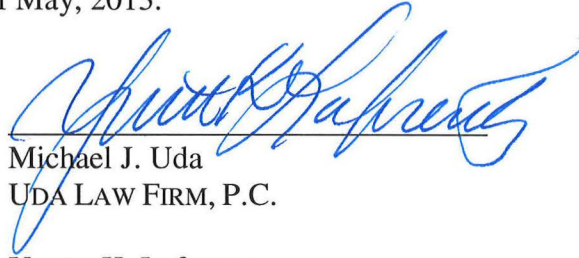
**IN THE MATTER OF The Complaint By
Oak Tree Energy, LLC Against
NorthWestern Energy For Refusing To
Enter Into A Purchase Power Agreement**

**DOCKET NO. EL11-006
OAK TREE ENERGY LLC'S
REQUEST FOR
LEVELIZED RATE OPTION**

OAK TREE ENERGY, LLC'S REQUEST FOR LEVELIZED RATE OPTION

Oak Tree Energy, LLC (Oak Tree), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Request for Levelized Rate Option. Oak Tree believes that a levelized rate option would assist Oak Tree in financing the Oak Tree project. Oak Tree is currently working with potential lenders, and believes that a levelized rate option would be beneficial to securing long-term financing for the Oak Tree project. Therefore, Oak Tree respectfully requests that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission adopt an order that provides Oak Tree with a levelized and unlevelized rate option.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of May, 2013.



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