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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 MOTION TO EXPEDITE HEARING

OAK TREE ENERGY, LLC'S MOTION TO EXPEDITE HEARING ON SECOND MOTION TO COMPEL AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

On February 8, 2012, Oak Tree Energy, LLC (Oak Tree) filed *Oak Tree Energy, LLC's Second Motion to Compel Discovery* with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (PUC). Oak Tree now files *Oak Tree Energy, LLC's Motion to Expedite Hearing on Second Motion to Compel*.

Oak Tree asks that the PUC hear this motion at its next regular meeting on February 14, 2012. SDCL §15-6-6(d) allows the Court, and in this case the PUC, to provide for alternative periods of time between filing a motion and holding a hearing. As such, Oak Tree asks the PUC to exercise its discretion and schedule this motion to be heard February 14, 2012.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of February, 2012.

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