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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC)UTILITIES COMMISSION :SS)

IN CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF HUGHES

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Docket No. EL 11-019

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY dba XCEL ENERGY TO INCREASE ITS ELECTRIC RATES

ORDER

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA CIRCUIT COURT, HUGHES CO.

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Brett Koenecke, an attorney residing in the State of South Dakota and a member in good standing of the State Bar of South Dakota, having moved this Court for the admission of attorney Richard J. Johnson as a non-resident attorney on a *pro hac vice* basis, all pursuant to SDCL 16-18-2, and Richard J. Johnson having filed a motion for his own admission as a non-resident attorney, and the \$200 fee having been paid to the Clerk of this Court, and good cause appearing therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED that Richard J. Johnson be and hereby is admitted to appear before this Court and the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as a non-resident attorney in the above captioned matter on a *pro hac vice* basis, all pursuant to the provisions of SDCL 16-18-2.

DATED this Ath day of Abril

BY THE COURT:

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ATTEST:

Clerk of Courts

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