

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

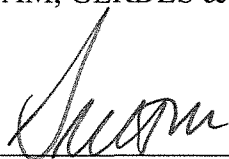
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY) EL 13-020
XCEL ENERGY AND OTTER TAIL POWER)
COMPANY FOR A PERMIT UNDER THE SOUTH) MOTION FOR RELEASE
DAKOTA ENERGY CONVERSION AND) OF BOND
TRANSMISSION FACILITY ACT TO CONSTRUCT)
THE BIG STONE SOUTH TO BROOKINGS 345 KV)
ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE)

COMES NOW the Permittee and moves the Commission for an Order releasing the Bond and releasing the Permittee from any further obligation to maintain a bond. The Commission pursuant to law ordered the Permittee to obtain a bond for damage to roads caused by construction. Construction is now complete and the roads have been maintained and fixed where necessary to the satisfaction of the local governments as shown by the attached documents.

WHEREUPON the Permittee seeks the Commission's order releasing the bond and releasing the permittee from any further obligation pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-38

Respectfully submitted this 20 day of December, 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above Motion for Release of Bond was served upon all of the parties listed on the attached Service List on the 17 day of December, 2017, either electronically or by mailing a true and correct copy thereof to them by first class mail, postage prepaid, at their last known addresses.

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