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Attachment "C

STATE OF FOWA ) ss.

I, Keith L. Petersen, being of legal age, and first duly sworn upon oath, state and depose as follows:

1. I am competent to testify about the matters set forth herein and do so from personal knowledge.

2. I am Operations Manager for Northern Natural Gas Company ("Northern"), and have been employed by Northern since May 19, 1975.

3. Northern is an indirect subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Energy based in Omaha, Nebraska, and has been in business since 1930. Northern owns and operates the largest interstate natural gas pipeline system in the United States, measured in miles of pipeline. Northern's pipeline system stretches across 11 states, from the Permian Basin in Texas to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

4. I began my employment with Northern in 1975 as a technical maintenance person in Welcome, Minnesota. I then became a shift operator in 1978 at the Welcome, Minnesota office. In 1979 I became a field technician in Hooper, Nebraska. In 1984 I became an operations and maintenance supervisor in South Omaha, Nebraska and held the same job in Farmington, Minnesota, beginning in 1989. I worked in the certificates and facility planning departments in the central office in Omaha, Nebraska from 1992 to 2004, and in 2004 became the regional operations director in Minnesota. Currently, I am the operations manager for Northern's Owatonna, Minnesota and Ventura, Iowa, offices.

5. In my various positions at Northern, I was personally familiar with Northern's business operations, and the operations of its former affiliate, Peoples Natural Gas Company ("Peoples"), including service to "farm tap" customers. 6. I am familiar with the fact that Northern and Peoples were at one time affiliated companies. Northern provided interstate natural gas services regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Peoples provided local, intrastate natural gas services to endusers subject to state regulation.

7. The parent of Northern and Peoples, InterNorth, Inc. ("InterNorth") sold the assets of Peoples to UtiliCorp United, Inc. ("UtiliCorp") in 1985. As part of that transaction, Northern, as a division of InterNorth, entered into an agreement December 20, 1985, with UtiliCorp in which UtiliCorp assumed all the duties, liabilities and obligations of Peoples in regard to farm taps served by Peoples as of the closing of the sale (see Attachment 1 hereto).

8. At the time of the sale of the Peoples assets by InterNorth to UtiliCorp in 1985, Northern's responsibility with respect to farm tap customers was to provide and maintain a tap, riser, regulation, over-pressure protection, and metering equipment. Peoples was responsible for providing and maintaining equipment for the odorization of gas, and all of the aspects of retail service of natural gas to the endusers, including natural gas procurement and sale, meter reading and billing.

9. From and after the date of the sale of the People's assets by InterNorth to UtiliCorp, Northern's and People's responsibilities with respect to farm tap customers has remained the same.

DATED this 4 day of May 2016.

Keith L. Petersen

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this  $\underline{\mathcal{U}}$  day of May 2016.

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