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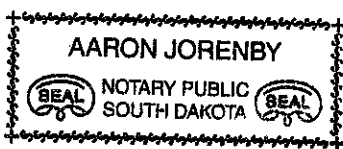
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Notary Public in and for the County of Brookings, South Dakota. My Commission expires February 22, 2020.

### Public Utilities Commission Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in Room 413, 4th floor, State Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota, on March 28, 2016, at 1:30 p.m., CDT, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules numbered

20:10:39:01 to 20:10:39:60, inclusive.

The effect of the rules will be to set forth specific measurement and testing procedures that an electric utility must follow when the utility tests a dairy for stray voltage or current.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to standardize the measurement and testing procedures used to measure stray current or voltage in dairies as required by SDCL chapter 49-47. Under the proposed rules, a dairy producer can request that the producer's electric utility conduct testing. The testing determines whether there is stray current or voltage in a dairy and, if there is, whether the electric utility's system is contributing to the stray current or voltage. The rules set forth the types of tests that are conducted by the electric utility. The six types of tests are the cow contact test; 48 hour test; primary profile test; secondary neutral voltage drop test; load box test; and the signature test. The rules set forth how each of these tests must be conducted. The rules set forth the type of equipment that is used for the measuring or testing of stray voltage or current. The testing is required to be conducted by a qualified testing professional and the results of the tests are analyzed by a qualified testing analyst. The qualified analyst then prepares a written report that analyzes the results obtained from the tests. If remediation is required pursuant to SDCL 49-47-3, the report specifies the actions that need to be taken or that have been taken. The report is provided to the dairy producer.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, State Capitol, 500 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070. Material sent by mail must reach the Public Utilities Commission by April 7, 2016, to be considered.

After the hearing, the Public Utilities Commission will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Public Utilities Commission may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Public Utilities Commission at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3201.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

The rules may also be found at the Public Utilities Commission's website at the following address:  
<http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Rulemaking/2016/default.aspx>

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