

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) THE CITY OF PIERRE FOR A CONSTRUCTION) PERMIT FOR 4.83 MILES OF 115KV ELECTRIC) TRANSMISSION LINE IN HUGHES COUNTY,) SOUTH DAKOTA)	ORDER ASSESSING FILING FEE EL00-023
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On August 21, 2000, the City of Pierre (Pierre) submitted to the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) an application for a permit to construct transmission facilities as defined at SDCL 49-41B-2(9)(b). According to the application, these facilities consist of approximately 4.03 miles of new 115 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line and associated terminal facilities between the City's Ash Substation and the Western Area Power Administration Oahe-Pierre 115kV line. In addition, a 0.80 mile segment of the City's Ash to Evans 115kV transmission line would be relocated to a new route and constructed on new structures. Both transmission lines are located in Hughes County, South Dakota. SDCL 49-41B-12 requires a minimum filing fee deposit of \$8,000.

On August 24, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 8, 2000, to interested individuals and entities.

SDCL 49-41B-12 authorizes the Commission to require a minimum filing fee of \$8,000 in the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission's (SDPUC) regulatory assessment fee fund to defray Commission expenses incident to analyzing and ruling upon this type of filing.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-1A-9, Chapter 49-41B, and ARSD 20:10:01:34, et seq.

On September 13, 2000, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission, pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-12, unanimously voted to assess Pierre the minimum filing fee as requested by the Deputy Executive Director. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Pierre shall deposit in the SDPUC regulatory assessment fee fund the minimum filing fee of \$8,000 as requested by the Deputy Executive Director.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 19th day of September, 2000.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u><i>Delaine Kelber</i></u>
Date: <u>9/20/00</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner