BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY THE CITY OF PIERRE FOR APPROVAL OF ITS REVISED SERVICE TERRITORY AS A RESULT OF ANNEXATION	)))))	**ORDER APPROVING REVISED SERVICE TERRITORY AS A RESULT OF ANNEXATION EL04-012**

On April 1, 2004, the City of Pierre (City) filed a request for approval of a territory boundary change due to annexation. On November 4, 2003, the City of Pierre annexed the north 236.6 feet of Outlot F-1 and all of Outlot F-2 in the SW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 110, Range 79, Pierre, South Dakota. The City has elected to purchase the electric facilities in the area annexed in accordance with SDCL 49-34A-50 from Oahe Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Oahe Electric).

On May 11, 2004, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the request for approval of the boundary change due to annexation. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-42, 49-34A-48, 49-34A-49, 49-34A-50 and 49-34A-55. Further, the Commission finds that the change in the service territory boundary due to annexation will avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities, provide adequate electric service to all customers affected, and promote the efficient use and development of the electric systems of City and Oahe Electric. The Commission therefore concludes that the change in the service territory due to annexation is in the public interest and it shall be granted. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that the request seeking approval of an electric service territory boundary change between City and Oahe Electric due to annexation is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 13th day of May, 2004.

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: Delaine Kolbo

Date: 5/18/04

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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