BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AN ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY BOUNDARY CHANGE BETWEEN BLACK HILLS POWER, INC. AND BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.	)))))	**ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY BOUNDARY CHANGE EL07-013**

On April 6, 2007, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Black Hills Power, Inc. (BHP) and Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. (BHEC) for approval of an electric service territory boundary change between BHP and BHEC. BHP agrees to transfer to BHEC a frozen customer and four lots in Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota. It is the opinion of both BHEC and BHP that this transfer of service area is in the best interests of both parties, as well as in the public interest. The electric service boundary change is as follows:

BHP shall transfer to BHEC:

Beginning at the point where the North South Territorial line in Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian in Pennington County, South Dakota, intersects the North Lot Line of Lot 18, Block 2, Sunset Creek Estates, Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence East along the North Lot Lines of Lots 18 and 19, Block 2, Sunset Creek Estates, Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence Southeast along the East Lot Lines of Lots 20 and 21, Block 2, Sunset Creek Estates, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence West along the South Lot Line of Lot 21, Block 2, Sunset Creek Estates, Section 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence West across Minor Lake Circle to the Southeast Corner of Lot 8, Block 3, Sunset Creek Estates, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence Southwest along the South Lot Line of Lot 8, Block 3, Sunset Creek Estates, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence Northwest along the Southwest Lot Line of Lot 8, Block 3, Sunset Creek Estates, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota, until the Southeast Corner of Lot 7, Block 3, Sunset Creek Estates, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Thence West along the South Lot Line of Lot 7, Block 3, Sunset Creek Estates, until the point at which the North South Territorial Line bisects Lot 7, Sections 19 and 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

Including all of Lot 15, Block 2, Sunset Creek Estates, Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 5 East of the Black Hills Meridian, Pennington County, South Dakota,

On May 8, 2007, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the request for approval of the boundary change. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over the matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-42, and 49-34A-55. Further, the Commission finds that the boundary change will avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities and help minimize operational challenges. The Commission concludes that the change in the service territory boundary 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 BHP and BHEC is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 24th day of May, 2007.

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, electronically.

By: Delaine Kolbo

Date: 5/24/07

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Chairman

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

STEVE KOLBECK, Commission