

Dec. 16, 2011 Staff testimony filed and served

Jan. 6, 2012 Oak Tree rebuttal testimony filed and served and NWE testimony responsive to Staff testimony filed and served

Jan. 13, 2012 Pre-hearing motions filed and served

A pre-hearing conference will be scheduled prior to the hearing upon the request of a party or Commission Counsel. A hearing date has not been set as of this date. As of the pre-hearing conference, it was the consensus of the parties that two days was the appropriate duration to schedule for hearing. Once the progress of the case becomes more certain, Commission Counsel will contact the parties with available hearing dates following as soon as possible after January 13, 2012, for clearance with the parties.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the procedural schedule set forth above is established and shall be followed by the parties, and all above-described documents shall be filed and served on or before the above dates unless an order modifying this schedule is approved by the Commission.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 17th day of June, 2011.

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>Ann Osdahl</u>
Date:	<u>6-17-11</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Steve Kolbeck
STEVE KOLBECK, Chairman

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner