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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
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Ms. Debra Elofson, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

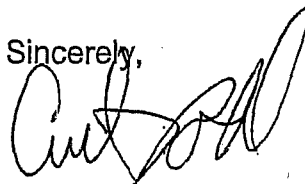
Dear Ms. Elofson:

In May 1998 NorthWestern Public Service Company changed its name to NorthWestern Corporation, and our natural gas and electric business was operated thereafter as NorthWestern Public Service, a division of NorthWestern Corporation. I am writing to inform you of a further name change for our South Dakota and Nebraska utility division to NorthWestern Energy, a division of NorthWestern Corporation.

From this date forward, all future tariff sheets will be filed under the NorthWestern Energy name. If there are name changes needed regarding our current filed tariffs, please advise, otherwise we will transition to the NorthWestern Energy name during future filings.

Should you have any questions regarding the above changes, please advise.

Sincerely,



Curt Pohl
Vice President-Operations South Dakota
& Nebraska

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— NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY —
ELECTRIC RATE
DOCKET GE98-001

PROPOSED TARIFF SCHEDULES

Rate Sheets Service on or after
Effective Date: August 1, 1998

GE 98-001

TARIFF SCHEDULES

Applicable to

ELECTRIC SERVICE

of

NORTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
NORTHWESTERN NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
HURON, SOUTH DAKOTA 57350

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