

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005

RE: Application for Party Status EL05-022

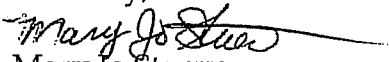
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Dear Ms. Bonrud,

I am a South Dakota resident registered to vote in Minnehaha County. I also have numerous family members and own a home and agricultural land in Big Stone County, Minnesota, hence my interest in the matter of the application by Otter Tail Power Company on behalf of Big Stone II Co-Owners for an Energy Conversion Facility Permit for the construction of the Big Stone II Project.

My contact information follows. Should you need anything else in this matter please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Mary Jo Stueve

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY ) APPLICATION FOR PARTY  
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY ON BEHALF ) STATUS  
OF BIG STONE II CO-OWNERS FOR AN )  
ENERGY CONVERSION FACILITY PERMIT ) EL05-022  
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BIG )  
STONE II PROJECT )

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, MARY JO STUEVE,  
(Name of Applicant)  
petitions the Public Utilities Commission to be granted party status in the above-referenced  
energy conversion facility permit proceeding.

Mary Jo Stueve  
Signature of Applicant

9/16/2005  
Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of Sept., 2005.

William L Hobson  
Notary Public

(SEAL)

Residing at Sioux Falls, SD

My Commission expires WILLIAM L. HOBSON  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 23, 2010.

NOTE: Consistent with SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, this application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission within 60 days from the date Otter Tail Power Company's application was filed. The facility application was filed July 21, 2005. Therefore, this Application for Party Status form must be filed in the Commission's offices on or before September 19, 2005.

Pam Bonrud  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
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