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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
MIDWEST POWER FOR AUTHORITY TO)
INCREASE ELECTRIC RATES IN SOUTH)
DAKOTA.)** **ORDER SUSPENDING
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
EL95-011**

On May 16, 1995, Midwest Power, a division of Midwest Power Systems, Inc. (Midwest) filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) an application for approval to increase its rates for electric service and change tariffs. The proposed effective date for the rates was August 1, 1995. An intervention deadline was set for June 30, 1995.

Settlement negotiations are being conducted between Midwest and Commission Staff and the parties agree that it would be most expedient to suspend the procedural schedule as Settlement appears imminent. In the event Settlement is not reached, a new procedural schedule will be set.


It is hereby

ORDERED that the procedural schedule set for this docket shall be suspended indefinitely, subject to being reset at a future date should settlement not be reached.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota this 21 day of September, 1995.

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| By | <u>Yvonne K. Waldner</u> |
| Date | <u>9-21-95</u> |
| (OFFICIAL SEAL) | |

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
Commissioners Stofferahn, Burg,
Schoenfelder


WILLIAM BULLARD, JR.
Executive Director