

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY ) APPLICATION FOR PARTY  
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY ON BEHALF ) STATUS  
OF SEVEN REGIONAL UTILITIES FOR A )  
PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT 5.45 MILES OF 230 ) EL06-002  
KV TRANSMISSION LINE, 33 MILES OF 345 )  
KV TRANSMISSION LINE, THE BIG STONE )  
345 KV SUBSTATION AND MODIFICATION OF )  
THE BIG STONE 230 KV SUBSTATION )

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, City of Gary  
(Name of Applicant)

petitions the Public Utilities Commission to be granted party status in the above-referenced  
transmission facility permit proceeding.

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*Jeff Engesser*  
Signature of Applicant

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Jeff Engesser, Mayor  
Print Name

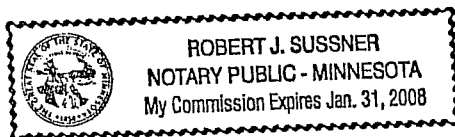
Address: P.O. Box 127  
Gary, SD 57237  
605-272-5651

Phone Number

City of Gary  
Name of Organization if applicable

3-7-2006  
Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of MARCH, 2006.



(SEAL)

*Robert Sussner*  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 01-31-2008

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 the application was filed. The facility application was filed January 17, 2006. Therefore, this Application for Party Status form must be filed in the Commission's offices on or before March 20, 2006.

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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
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