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Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
523 E. Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: *In the Matter of the Complaint by Oak Tree Energy LLC against NorthWestern Energy for refusing to enter into a Purchase Power Agreement - Docket EL11-006*

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing please find NorthWestern Energy's Brief in Opposition to Oak Tree Energy, LLC's Motion to Compel. By copy of this correspondence, the foregoing is being served upon counsel for Oak Tree Energy, this being intended as service by electronic mail.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sara Greff Dannen

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