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Dear Ms Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing please find an original copy of an executed "Service Territory Exception Agreement" between Xcel Energy and Central Electric Cooperative.

This agreement seeks to modify an existing service territory boundary in rural Miner County of South Dakota. The accompanying drawing provides additional graphical detail to this request. The diagram depicts existing Xcel Energy 34.5KV facilities running along SD Highway 34.

For convenience of all of the parties, Xcel Energy has agreed to provide three-phase service as depicted on the diagram to both a grain bin for Mr. Clark and a farmstead for Mr. Hahn. While this parcel resides outside of Xcel Energy assigned service territory, Central Coop three-phase facilities are some four miles distant, thus it would be more efficient for Xcel Energy to provide three-phase service to this customer site.

Included with the agreement between Xcel Energy and Central Coop are consent signatures by both Dave Clark and Dave Hahn, landowners affected by this change. Both are in support of this change.

Xcel Energy respectfully requests that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approve this agreement.

If anyone has any questions, please call me at 339-8350

Sincerely,

Jim Wilcox

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