

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

(Insert Docket Title)

Application of Northern States Power
Company dba Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power
Company for a Permit to Construct the Big Stone
South to Brookings County 345 kV Transmission Line

**APPLICATION FOR PARTY
STATUS**

(Docket Number)

EL13-020

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, Robert W. Hill, for Brookings County, SD

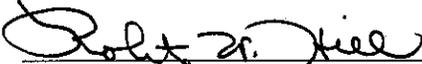
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petitions the Public Utilities Commission to be granted party status in the above-referenced facility permit proceeding.

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UTILITIES COMMISSION**



Signature of Applicant

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7-31-2013

Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of July, 2013.

Katie Oravetz

Notary Public

My Commission expires: March 26, 2016


(Seal)

NOTE:

Consistent with SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10:22:40, this application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission with 60 days from the date the application was filed, unless the deadline is extended by the Commission.

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