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July 2, 2015

Mr. Brian Rounds  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
500 E. Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501

**RE: EL13-020 - In the Matter of the Application of Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Company for a Permit to Construct the Big Stone South to Brookings County 345 kV Transmission Line**

Dear Mr. Rounds:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a minor change in alignment on the Big Stone South to Brookings County 345 kV Transmission Line. The alignment change is being made as a result of working with a landowner to accommodate agricultural activities. All changes described below are on a single landowner's property.

The changes are shown on the attached map and consist of moving Structures 352 - 355 and 361 - 368.

These changes are entirely driven to accommodate landowner preferences. We believe these changes in structure locations are not a material change to the approved alignment and that no action is required. Please let me know if you need any other information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Hillstrom'.

Thomas G. Hillstrom  
Permitting Manager  
Xcel Energy  
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Enclosure – Route Adjustment Map