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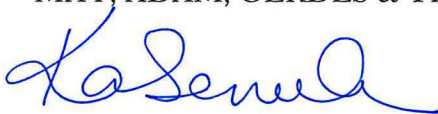
**RE: In the Matter of the Petition for Electrical Service by Dakota Access, LLC
to have NorthWestern Energy Assigned as its Electric Provider in the Service
Area of Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Docket No.: EL 15-023
Our file: 0300.02**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for the Commission's information, please find the Confidentiality Agreement entered into by Dakota Access, LLC, Northwestern Energy and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Very truly yours,

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