

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**OF**

**THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**PETITION OF DAKOTA ENERGY COOPERATIVE, INC.  
AND NORTHERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.  
FOR SERVICE RIGHTS EXCEPTION**

The purpose of this petition is to request approval from the Public Utilities Commission for a service rights exception regarding a service extension to Todd Koester of 39129 181<sup>st</sup> St Redfield South Dakota.

Mr. Koester built a card toll fueling station in Beadle County, South Dakota located at 38589 190<sup>th</sup> St, Bonilla, South Dakota, with a legal description of Koester Outlot A in NE ¼ of Sec 3, TWP 113 North, Range 64 West P.M. Beadle County, South Dakota. The location of Mr. Koester's new card toll fueling station is presently in the service territory of Dakota Energy Cooperative Inc.(Dakota).

For Dakota to extend electrical service to Mr. Koester from its most proximate facilities would have required construction of approximately one mile of distribution line.

Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.(NEC) has facilities available within five hundred feet of Mr. Koester's fueling station.

Dakota, NEC and the consumer, Mr. Koester all request that the Public Utilities Commission authorize a service rights exception to the fueling station and allow NEC to serve Mr. Koester's new fueling station. NEC has obtained the consent of Dakota and Mr. KOESTER and have already constructed facilities to this facility and therefore Mr. Koester is currently being served by NEC.

Dakota reserves the right to serve all other customers and facilities within its assigned service area and by the filing of this petition does not consent to the extension of service to any other customer or facility other than to Mr. Koester's new fueling station located in Koester Outlot A in NE ¼ of Sec3, TWP 113 North, Range 64 West P.M. Beadle County, South Dakota.

Attached to this petition is a map depicting the location of Mr. Koester's new fueling station. The green line depicted in 113N064W10 indicates the nearest available Dakota power line. The multi colored (green, yellow, red) symbols at the top of the exhibit indicates the present location of NEC's distribution line and the proposed line extension. Also attached is a copy of the plat map.

Wherefore the undersigned hereby requests that the Public Utilities Commission grant the foregoing petition and authorize a service rights exception to allow NEC to serve Mr. Koester's new fueling station which is presently located within the service territory assigned to Dakota.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc.

By: Charlene Hager

Its: CEO/GM

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

The undersigned hereby executes that certain PETITION OF DAKOTA ENERGY COOPERATIVE, INC. AND NORTHERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR SERVICE RIGHTS EXCEPTIONS by and between:

Northern Electric Cooperative Inc; and  
Dakota Energy Cooperative Inc

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Dated this 28 day of APRIL, 2017.

Dakota Energy Cooperative Inc

By: 

Its: CEO / GENERAL MANAGER