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Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director SD Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capitol Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

## Re: Otter Tail Power Company & Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative Inc. – Verification of Shared Electric Service Territory Boundary and Updated Mapping Data

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

This filing is submitted in regards to the ongoing efforts of the PUC to verify electric territory mapping data for conversion to electronic format and use in a Geographic Information System (GIS) database. With the assistance of the above-referenced utilities, Commission Staff has confirmed the service territory boundary shared by these utilities and has prepared updated mapping information. Included as part of this filing please find:

- 1) A legal description of the shared boundary, and
- 2) Updated territory maps.

At the time of this filing, Commission Staff has only received a signed agreement from Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc, which is included herein. It is Staff's understanding that Otter Tail is comfortable with the boundaries as proposed and is in the process of getting the agreement signed. Staff will request Otter Tail to file the signed agreement in the docket.

Through this letter, Staff requests the Commission open a docket and approve this agreement with accompanying mapping data.

Sincerely,

Darren Kearney Staff Analyst