



March 5, 2020

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E Capitol
Pierre, SD

RE: EL-___ - Service Territory Exception

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

The purpose of this letter is to request South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") approval of an exception to the territorial service boundaries pursuant to SDCL § 49-34-55. NorthWestern Corporation doing business as NorthWestern Energy ("NorthWestern") has agreed to allow H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Cooperative") to provide a single-phase electrical service ("Service") not to exceed 15 KVA, said Service being located in the assigned service territory of NorthWestern. The improved site ("Site") involved with this request is identified on attached Exhibits "A" and "B".

NorthWestern's closest power line suitable for Service is located approximately 2,585 feet to the southwest of the Site, as illustrated in Exhibit "B". The estimated cost for NorthWestern to provide Service to the Site would be approximately \$20,618 with the customer's contribution being 100% of this amount. Cooperative's closest power line suitable for providing Service is located approximately 150 feet to the north of the Site, as illustrated in Exhibit "A". The estimated cost for Cooperative to provide Service is approximately \$2,950 to the customer.

The Town of Goodwin, Inc., requested that NorthWestern allow Cooperative to provide Service to the Site per the attached correspondence. The proposed improvement consists of a street light at the intersection of US 212 & Deuel County 312. The main purpose is improved safety and visibility at this intersection. The landowner for this site, Dennis Korbel, is aware of and is in support of the service territory exception. The location for the point of service is Fifty Feet (50') East, more or less, and Seventy-five Feet (75') South, more or less, of the Northwest Corner of Government Lot One (1) of Section 5, T116N R50W of the 5th P.M., Deuel County, South Dakota, as illustrated on attached Exhibits "A" and "B".

Included in this filing is the letter of request from the Town of Goodwin, the letter that Cooperative is willing to serve and the letter from the property owner stating their awareness and support of this filing. Also enclosed is the "Consent and Agreement for Electric Service" signed by NorthWestern and Cooperative, which becomes effective upon receipt of Commission approval.



Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please call or email if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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