

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT REQUEST FOR ) APPROVAL OF AN ELECTRIC SERVICE RIGHTS ) EXCEPTION BETWEEN DAKOTA ENERGY ) COOPERATIVE, INC. AND NORTHERN ELECTRIC ) COOPERATIVE, INC. )</b>	)	<b>ORDER GRANTING ) APPROVAL OF AN ) ELECTRIC SERVICE RIGHTS ) EXCEPTION )  EL22-019</b>
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On July 7, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a joint Petition from Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc. (Dakota Energy) and Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Northern Electric) requesting approval of a service rights exception. The service rights exception will allow Dakota Energy to provide three-phase electric service to an irrigation pump load center that will be located within Northern Electric's service territory. The parties also filed a Consent to the Petition executed by the landowner and Exhibits B and C (maps). Dakota Energy intends to provide three-phase services to the following location:

A 100' diameter of Latitude of 44.641735 minutes and Longitude of -98.278678 minutes in the S ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 34, Township 114 North, Range 62 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., in Spink County.

On July 14, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 22, 2022, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-42 through 49-34A-44 and 49-34A-55.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on August 2, 2022, the Commission considered this matter. Finding that the service rights exception will avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities, provide adequate electric service to the customer affected, promote the efficient and economical use and development of the utilities' electric system, and that the exception to the parties' assigned service territories is in the public interest, the Commission voted unanimously to grant the requested electric service rights exception. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the requested electric service rights exception is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 8th day of August 2022.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.
By: <u>Karon E. Bremer</u>
Date: <u>08/08/22</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

  
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KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

  
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GARY HANSON, Commissioner