

July 22, 2022

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

State Capitol Building, 1st Floor

Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: JOINT AMENDED SERVICE TERRITORY LINE AGREEMENT

DOCKET NO. EL22_____

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filling please find a copy of an mutually agreed upon Amended Service Territory Line Agreement between Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. and West River Electric Association, Inc. This agreement seeks to modify the territory lines located in section 34 of T1N R8E (the new territory line shall begin along the west section line of 34, where Old Folsom Road intersects and continues south to the southernmost part of section 34. The center line of Old Folsom Road shall be the territory line heading north to south, as noted on Exhibit A drawing). The second territory line amendment will fall in section 9 of T1S R9E (The new territory line in section 9 shall be as follows; starting along the northernmost point of section 9, the territory line shall extend south along the half-section line until reaching the southernmost part of section 9, as noted on the Exhibit B drawing) all of which are in Pennington County, South Dakota. Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. and West River Electric Association, Inc. respectfully request that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approve the attached executed Amended Service Territory Line Agreement and allow the boundary lines to be modified.

BACKGROUND

Please note that West River Electric currently has exceptions to serve the members along the east half of section 9 within Black Hills Electric Cooperative's current territory limits. Allowing this amendment to the territory lines will allow the current West River Electric member in section 9 to be located within WREA territory limits and ultimately avoid duplication of facilities for West River Electric, Black Hills Electric, and the developer along Old Folsom Road. These locations are provided in Exhibit A & B.

Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. and West River Electric Association, Inc. respectfully request that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approve this amended service territory line agreement.

If there are any questions, please call Jesse at 605-673-4461.

Sincerely,

Jesse Sorenson

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Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Richard Johnson

CEO/General Manager

West River Electric Association, Inc.

Enclosures