

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT REQUEST FOR AN )  
ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY BOUNDARY )  
CHANGE BETWEEN NORTHERN STATES POWER )  
COMPANY DBA XCEL ENERGY AND SIOUX VALLEY )  
SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. )  
)

**ORDER GRANTING  
APPROVAL OF ELECTRIC  
SERVICE TERRITORY  
BOUNDARY CHANGE**

**EL23-007**

On March 14, 2023, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Service Territory Exchange Agreement (Agreement) between Northern States Power Company dba Xcel Energy (Xcel) and Sioux Valley Southwestern Electric Cooperative (Sioux Valley). The Agreement amends the existing electric service territory boundary that was approved by the Commission in docket EL21-006. Specifically, Xcel and Sioux Valley agree to exchange service territory between the utilities in Section 12 of Township 101N Range 49W in Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

On March 16, 2023, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 31, 2023, 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, 49-34A-43, and 49-34A-55.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 13, 2023, the Commission considered this matter. Finding that the electric service territory boundary change will avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities, will provide adequate electric service to the customers affected, will promote the efficient and economical use and development of the utilities' electric systems, and is in the public interest, the Commission voted unanimously to grant the requested electric service territory boundary change and approve the associated Agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the request for approval of the electric service territory boundary change and the associated Agreement between Xcel Energy and Sioux Valley is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

<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>Adam DeHneck</u>
Date: <u>4/18/23</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner