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SD Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capital Avenue Pierre SD 57501-5070

Re: Territory Exception, Hutchinson County

Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to support the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approval of this specific service territory exception. Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Southeastern) supports allowing Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Douglas) to provide a single-phase electrical service for a new residential service to be located in the Assigned Service Territory of Southeastern. The site is identified in the attached Location Maps referenced as Exhibit A.

Southeastern's closest connection point for single phase service is located approximately 5600' from the point of service requested by Mr. Horstman. Exhibit B is attached and shows the location of the current electrical lines of Douglas and Southeastern. It's my understanding that Douglas has single phase service located approximately 450 feet from the point of service and that Mr. Horstman prefers to be served by Douglas. While I do not know the total estimated cost for Douglas to build this service, the contribution in aid that would be issued to Mr. Horstman by Douglas is \$700. Southeastern's contribution in aid of construction would be significantly higher.

Mr. Horstman requested that Southeastern allow Douglas to provide a single-phase electric service to the new residential service located in the Northwest quarter (NW¹/₄) of the Southwest quarter (SW1/4) of Section 7, T099N, R061W, of Susquehanna Township in Hutchinson County, South Dakota. Douglas has agreed to provide a single-phase electrical service to this load.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

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Chad Kinsley, CEO Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc.

