



David J. Larson
Lawyer & Counselor

Jessica Hegge
Associate

Albert Steven Fox
of Counsel

4 December, 2024

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Bldg, 1st Floor
500 E. Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

re: Re: Service Territory Exception Agreement Docket No. EI24-_____

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

I am the attorney for West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Along with this letter I am enclosing an agreement between West Central Electric Cooperative Inc. (West Central) and the City of Fort Pierre, (City). The agreement seeks to allow an exception to the parties currently assigned electrical service territory to permit West Central to serve the Legion Baseball Complex located within Fort Pierre's assigned service territory for the reasons outlined below. The parties seek approval of their agreement allowing the exception.

Background:

The City of Fort Pierre is in the process of developing and expanding a baseball field complex on the property designated below. The City currently lacks sufficient facilities and infrastructure to provide electrical service to the complex itself and has requested that West Central provide service to the facility. West Central has facilities in close proximity sufficient to provide the required service.

The property occupied by the facility and to which service is to be provided is described as follows:

Lots 1 through 46 Inclusive, Block 18, in the Townsite of Stanley;
Lots 1 through 46 Inclusive, Block 19, in the Townsite of Stanley; and
Lots 1 through 18, inclusive, Block 4, in the City of Fort Pierre,
All in Stanley County, South Dakota

Allowing the exception will allow the baseball complex to be served in the most cost effective manner.

There are no other consumers within the described area to be affected.

An exception is sought for a minimum term, rather than a permanent change in territory. This will permit the City the opportunity to provide the service in the event future developments make it practical to do so, while providing for a minimum term sufficient for West Central to recover the minor investment involved in providing the service.

The parties are respectfully requesting that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission approve the exception.

Please contact Jeff Birkeland at jeff.birkeland@wce.coop or (605) 869-8100 if you have any questions concerning the filing.

Sincerely,



David J. Larson

DJL/pll

Enclosed:
Agreement