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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: In the Matter of Big Stone Energy Storage Project, LLC's Request for a Declaratory Ruling Regarding Otter Tail Power Company's Energy Efficiency Program's Cost Recovery Fee
Docket No. _____

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Our firm represents Big Stone Energy Storage Project, LLC ("BSESP") in the above-referenced matter. Enclosed for filing, pursuant to the provisions of SDCL § 1-26-15 and ARSD 20:10:01:34, and in accordance with ARSD 20:10:01:02.05, please find BSESP's Petition for Declaratory Ruling.

BSESP is affiliated with a leading thermal energy storage manufacturer and developer in the business of electrifying industrial heating applications with thermal energy storage and other power-to-heat technologies. BSESP is contracted to provide heat to an ethanol production facility located in Big Stone City, South Dakota using a thermal energy storage system. BSESP intends to receive electric service, both non-firm charging load, and balance of plant firm load, from Otter Tail Power Company ("OTP"). BSESP requests that the Commission issue a ruling providing that BSESP is not subject to OTP's Energy Efficiency Program's ("EEP") cost recovery fee for its charging load. In the alternative, BSESP requests that the Commission waive the fee for BSESP's charging load.

Our firm has provided a copy of its Petition to OTP. As BSESP's representatives, please include the following individuals on the official service list for the above-referenced matter.

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Please contact me with any questions relating to this filing.

Sincerely,

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