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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. EL25-018

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

I write in follow-up to Big Stone Energy Storage Project, LLC's ("BSESP") request that its Petition for Declaratory Ruling be considered in parallel with docket EL25-015.

We understand that ARSD 20:10:01:35 establishes a 60-day timeframe for the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") to review and issue a decision on a declaratory ruling petition. However, we believe that it is appropriate to evaluate dockets EL25-015 and EL25-018 together and that this may necessitate more than 60 days. Therefore, BSESP agrees that the Commission may take more than 60 days to issue its declaratory ruling.

We appreciate the Commission's attention to this matter. Should you need any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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