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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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This form is **only** for persons who wish to be an active party in this docket. You do NOT need to be a party to submit comments.

In the Matter of the Application of Crowned Ridge Energy Storage I, LLC for a Permit for an Energy Conversion Facility

APPLICATION FOR PARTY STATUS

EL26-014

South Dakota Rural Electric Association (SDREA) _____, petitions the Public Utilities Commission to be granted party status in this proceeding.
(Name of Applicant. This will be the person or entity named as a party.)

Place a check mark next to each item below that applies to you, adding a mileage number where requested.

☐ I am a person or organization that received official notification of the project via U.S. mail from the siting permit applicant.

☐ I reside within _____ miles of the proposed project.

Residential address if different from your mailing address:

☐ I own land within _____ miles of the proposed project.

Legal description: _____

☐ I officially represent a municipal, city, township, county or other affected governmental agency within _____ miles of the proposed project.

Explain your interest in applying for party status below.

NextEra's proposed battery storage system is located in the service territory of Codington Clark Electric Cooperative (CCEC), who is a member of SDREA. CCEC will thus be directly impacted by the decisions reached in this docket. In addition, the docket has the potential of setting precedent on issues that affect all of SDREA's members – generation, transmission, and distribution cooperatives – including whether or not a battery storage system is a generator or a load. It is reasonable to believe that all SDREA member companies will be impacted by the docket, given the potential precedential effect of any decisions made therein. SDREA seeks party status to monitor and participate in the docket proceedings, as necessary, to promote and protect the interests of its member companies.

Deadline: This application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission on or before 5:00 p.m. CT, July 13, 2026
File this completed form electronically at
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This section is to be completed by the person requesting party status. All fields are required.

Steve Barnett, Executive Director

Applicant's Printed/Typed Name

Steve Barnett

7-10-26

Signature of Applicant **Must E-Sign or Hand Sign**

Date Signed

SDREA

Name of Applicant's Organization (if Applicable)

222 W. Pleasant Drive

Applicant's Address (PO Box/St/Ave/Road)

Pierre, SD 57501

Applicant's Address (City, State, ZIP Code)

605-224-5825

Applicant's Phone Number or, if represented, Applicant's Attorney's Phone Number

dprogers@riterlaw.com

Applicant's E-mail Address* or, if represented, Applicant's Attorney's E-mail Address*

The section below is to be completed by the Applicant's attorney, if represented. All fields are required.

Darla Pollman Rogers / Ellie Bailey

Attorney's Printed/Typed Name

Darla Pollman Rogers

7-10-2026

Signature of Attorney. **Must E-Sign or Hand Sign**

Date Signed

319 S. Coteau Street

Attorney's Address (PO Box/St/Ave/Road)

Pierre, SD 57501

Attorney's Address (City, State, ZIP Code)

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