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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

*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 Xcel Energy and Otter Tail Power Company for an Energy Facility Permit to Construct the PowerOn Midwest Project Consisting of a 765-kV Transmission Line, a 345-kV Transmission Line, and Associated Facilities

APPLICATION FOR PARTY STATUS

EL26-026

Bert and Amy Loehrer, 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 3/10 miles of the proposed project.

Residential address if different from your mailing address:

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☑ I own land within On the miles of the proposed project.

Legal description: NE 1/4 Section 24 T13N R60W, NE 1/4 ~~Sec 12 T118 R48W, S 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 12~~ T118N R48W Plus 1100 extra acres ~~within 2 miles of the proposed line~~

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

☐ I represent a utility company with facilities within _____ miles of the proposed project.

Explain your interest in applying for party status below.

Since learning of this line, I have been surprised at the lack of concern about my property rights. The County Commissioners seem to act as lobbyists for the power line. I was willing to work with the power company to change the route so I wouldnt be so close. The County Commissioners do not want a setback of a minimum of 2000 feet. I find that to be reasonable considering the danger of the million-volt line. I believe it will lower my land value 20% which would be $ 320,000 per quarter it touches. I do not trust the expert witnesses who testified at the Oct 21st PUC meeting in Milbank. How they went from 8 Milligaus to 400 to be safe I find suspicious.. I do not like how the PowerOnMidweek doesnt put the line on the property line between neighbors. How it doesnt make me an offer but talks to my landlords and relatives I coown land with and causes family strife. GPS Shut down and Corona Noise, loss of farm value, quality of life, are my concerns.

Deadline:This application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission on or before **5:00 p.m. CT, Nov. 3, 2026**, File this completed form electronically at puc.sd.gov/EFilingOptions.aspx

This section is to be completed by the person requesting party status. **All fields are required.**

Bert Loehrer Amy Loehrer
Applicant's Printed/Typed Name

Bert Loehrer Amy Loehrer 10-28-2026
Signature of Applicant Date Signed

Name of Applicant's Organization (if Applicable)

48304 152nd St
Applicant's Address (PO Box/St/Ave/Road)

Milbank, SD 57252
Applicant's Address (City, State, ZIP Code)

605-880-1795
Applicant's Phone Number or, if represented, Applicant's Attorney's Phone Number

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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.

Attorney's Printed/Typed Name

Signature of Attorney Date Signed

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

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

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If your submitted form is incomplete, you risk not being granted party status.
For approval, party status applications must meet the requirements of SDCL 49-41B-17.