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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 Otter Tail Power Company for a Facility Permit for the Big Stone South to Hankinson to Bison 345 kV Transmission Line Project

APPLICATION FOR PARTY STATUS

EL26-028

Eric L. or Maureen E. Nelson, 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 0.5 miles of the proposed project.

Residential address if different from your mailing address:

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☑ I own land within 0.5 miles of the proposed project.

Legal description: NW4NW4 ROCK & REEN'S PARADISE

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☐ 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.

Our home, pets, and farm land are less than 1/2 mile from the proposed electrical line. We strongly oppose a high voltage power line being placed this close to our home, pasture, and on farm land we operate. This causes concern regarding farming practices, wildlife habitats, land values and visual impacts.

Deadline:This application must be filed with the Public Utilities Commission on or before **5:00 p.m. CT, Nov. 9, 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.**

Eric L. or Maureen Nelson
Applicant's Printed/Typed Name

Eric Nelson Maureen Nelson 11/9/2026
Signature of Applicant Date Signed

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Name of Applicant's Organization (if Applicable)

46321 117th St
Applicant's Address (PO Box/St/Ave/Road)

Sisseton, SD 57262
Applicant's Address (City, State, ZIP Code)

605-268-0397
Applicant's Phone Number or, if represented, Applicant's Attorney's Phone Number

emnelson@venturecomm.net
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

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Signature of Attorney Date Signed

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

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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.