BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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	))))))	**STAFF'S REQUEST FOR HEARING ON PARTY STATUS APPLICATIONS** **EL26-028**

With the intervention date of November 9, 2026, having passed, Staff requests a hearing to occur during the Commission's regularly scheduled meeting of December 4, 2026. At this hearing, the Commission would consider the party status applications filed in the docket as of November 9, 2026. While the Commission may set whatever Response and Reply deadlines it prefers, Staff suggests a November 20, 2026, deadline for the Applicant and Staff to provide Responses, and a December 1, 2026, deadline for party status applicants to provide Replies.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated this 10th day of November, 2026

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