

Docket Number: NG20-002
Subject Matter: First Data Request
Request to: NorthWestern Energy
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Staff
Date of Request: May 22, 2020
Responses Due: June 5, 2020

1-1. Provide details on the mission statement or purpose of the following organizations:

- a. Clark Area Chamber of Commerce
Add Value and create a stable business organizational environment that is able to react to changes in economy while becoming partners in leading the Clark community and local trade area into the future.
- b. HBA of the Sioux Empire
Responsibly meet the housing needs of the Sioux Empire by engaging our membership in all aspects of the home building industry.
- c. Lincoln County Economic Development
To collaboratively create quality economic growth and the workforce development in the Sioux Falls MSA to improve our quality of life.
- d. Marion Business & Professional Organization
To provide people of all ages the opportunity to get involved and connect with the Marion business community.
- e. Vision Brookings
BEDC is the primary engine for promoting economic growth in Brookings, South Dakota and the surrounding area. BEDC serves as an advocate for the business community by building relationships with companies that allow them to succeed by taking advantage of the area's unique and progressive business environment.
- f. Willow Lake Area Advancement/City of Willow Lake
Willow Lake Area Advancement (WLAA) oversees the Business Fund Development which is an economic development group that reinvests money generated by Lake Grocery, its community-owned grocery store, into the larger business community.

1-2. Why are these organizations not included for the 2020 Proposed Budget?

- a. HBA of the Sioux Empire
After further review, we have added HBA of Sioux Empire to the 2020 proposed budget. Please refer to updated Attachment A.
- b. Lincoln County Economic Development
After further review, we have added LCEDA to the 2020 proposed budget. Please refer to updated Attachment A.
- c. Mt Vernon Economic Development Association
The 2019 contribution was for a one-time capital campaign that will not continue in 2020.
- d. Sioux Falls Development Foundation
NorthWestern made its final pledge payment in 2019 for its most recent capital campaign.

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The 2019 contribution was in response to a one-time request from a City/WLAA partnership for a new industrial and community development project in Willow Lake.