



## Exhibit A Request for Confidential Treatment

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41, NorthWestern Energy Public Service Corporation d/b/a

NorthWestern Energy ("NorthWestern") requests confidential treatment as follows:

- 1. The documents for which confidential treatment is requested is the Transportation Service Agreement between NorthWestern and Aberdeen Energy, LLC (the "*Customer*"), dated May 19, 2025 (the "*Agreement*"), and Exhibit B.
- 2. NorthWestern requests that such confidential treatment be afforded the Agreement and Exhibit B indefinitely or, at a minimum, until the conclusion of the term of the Agreement.
- 3. The name, address and phone number of the persons to be contacted regarding the confidentiality request are:

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Regulatory Specialist	Director, Government & Regulatory Affairs
NorthWestern Energy	NorthWestern Energy
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- 4. The grounds for confidentiality are that the Agreement and exhibits provide proprietary information concerning both NorthWestern and the Customer, including the pricing of natural gas service. Sharing this information to third parties may provide competitive advantages to the competitors of both NorthWestern and the Customer.
- 5. As a factual basis in support of this request, please see the response to item 4, above.