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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
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State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Re: Docket No. PS10-002

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed please find MidAmerican Energy Company's Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned case.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Filing by Commission)
Pipeline Safety Staff Regarding) DOCKET NO. PS10-002
Damage Prevention Programs)

**PETITION TO INTERVENE
OF
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY**

MidAmerican Energy Company (“MidAmerican”) hereby petitions the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) to permit MidAmerican to intervene in this proceeding, and in support of its Petition states as follows:

1. At the request of Public Utilities Commission Staff, the Commission has opened the above-captioned docket and hire experts to determine if damage prevention efforts in South Dakota can be improved.

2. MidAmerican is an investor-owned, rate regulated public utility distributing gas to customers in the State of South Dakota. As a natural gas distribution utility serving customers in South Dakota, MidAmerican will be affected by any decision the Commission makes on this subject. MidAmerican wishes to intervene in order to be apprised of such issues of policy and to participate as necessary in their determination. MidAmerican’s interests in this proceeding are unique and cannot be fully and adequately represented by the existing parties. MidAmerican and its customers will be directly affected by the issues raised in this proceeding and the outcome of the proceeding.

WHEREFORE, MidAmerican respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Petition and allow it to intervene and be granted status of a party to this proceeding.

DATED this 18th day of June, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned does certify that the foregoing Petition to Intervene has been electronically served this day upon the following in accordance with the rules of the Public Utilities Commission.

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Dated at Sioux City, this 18th day of June, 2010.

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