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Katy VanMaanen of said county, first duly sworn, on oath, says: That she is the office clerk of THE BROOKINGS REGISTER, a daily newspaper, printed and published in the City of Brookings, in said County of Brookings, and State of South Dakota; that she has full and personal knowledge of the facts herein stated; that said newspaper is a legal newspaper and has a bona fide circulation of at least two hundred copies of each issue daily; that said newspaper has been published within the said County of Brookings and State of South Dakota, for more than one year prior to the first publication of Exhibit "A," hereto attached and herein mentioned, and was and is printed that the

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a printed copy of which, taken from the paper in which the same was published, is hereto attached marked Exhibit said newspaper for 1 times, to-wit:

April 15, 2009

said Exhibit "A" inures to the sole benefit for the publishers of said newspaper; that no agreement or understanding for the division thereof has been made with any other person, and that no part thereof has been agreed to be paid to any person whomsoever; that the fees charged for the publication thereof are:

Two hundred seventy dollars \$270.00

Katy VanMaanen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of

April 2009

Christina Nelson

Notary Public in and for the County of Brookings, South Dakota. My Commission expires April 27, 2012

Fund that pays unemployment benefits continues to be drawn down.

The fund contained \$25.5 million at the end of 2008, but the balance recently was \$14.1 million. A surcharge on employers takes effect if the fund drops below \$11 million.

Couple to face theft charges

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — South Dakota authorities are expected to issue arrest warrants soon for a northeast Nebraska couple who fled with their children out of fear they'd lose custody.

Lt. Marty Graves of the Pennington County sheriff's department said Wednesday that paperwork has been submitted to charge Matthew and Rowena Schade in the theft of a truck from the Silver City Volunteer Fire Department.

Graves said both are accused of grand theft, and Matthew is also suspected of burglary.

Arrest warrants are expected to be issued in the next few days, he said.

Additional charges are possible as authorities investigate a string of burglaries during the family's flight in the Black Hills.

The Schades left their Creighton, Neb., home after being questioned March 20 about domestic-abuse allegations. A search extended to remote areas of South Dakota before winding back to Nebraska. The couple turned themselves in on April 6.

The truck stolen from the Silver City fire department was found in Antelope County, Neb., a few days before the Schades turned up. One of the

length of the deployment.

Assault reported in Aberdeen

ABERDEEN (AP) — Police in Aberdeen have jailed a 21-year-old Wisconsin man after a report of an assault in an Aberdeen apartment.

tenced Piper to death for the brutal beating, torture and slaying of Chester Poage.

The appeal asks that Piper's sentence be changed to life in prison or that he get a new appeal that would focus on whether his agreement to let the judge sentence him was valid.

Public Utilities Commission Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in Room 413, 4th Floor, State Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota, on May 6, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., to consider the adoption of proposed rules numbered:

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The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) is proposing to establish rules regarding the interconnection of small generator facilities to the electric systems of public utilities. A small generator facility is a facility designed for the production of electrical energy that has an electric nameplate capacity of ten megawatts or less. The effect of the proposed rules is to establish uniform procedures, standards, requirements, costs, and responsibilities for a small generator facility to interconnect with a public utility's electric systems. Under the proposed rules, a person who wants to interconnect a small generator facility submits an application to the public utility. The rules set forth the procedures and standards under which an application is considered and accepted or rejected. The rules provide for four different types or tiers of interconnection procedures and standards depending on the size and other characteristics of the small generator facility. The interconnection rules reference uniform technical engineering standards for interconnection. The rules address safety considerations; the types of studies that may be required, disconnection procedures, and dispute resolution procedures.

The reason for the rules is to make it easier for small generator facilities to know what the requirements are for interconnection. The rules are also designed to make the interconnection process more transparent and streamlined. Time frames for responding to applications are included and requirements for interconnection are set forth in detail.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, State Capitol, 500 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070. Material sent by mail must reach the Public Utilities Commission by May 18, 2009, to be considered.

After the hearing, the Commission will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Commission may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Public Utilities Commission at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3201.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

The proposed rules may also be found on the Public Utilities Commission's home page at the following address:

<http://puc.sd.gov/dockets/rulemaking/2008/rm08-002.aspx>

Birthday

Woodard - 95

An open house to celebrate the 95th birthday of Jeane Woodard will be held Saturday, April 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. A brief program will be held at 3 p.m.

The event will be in the White Healthcare Center community room.