

August 19, 2026

Leah Mohr Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

RE: RM26-001, In the Matter of the Adoption of Administrative Rules

Ms. Mohr:

Lumen has reviewed the proposed rule changes circulated by Commission Counsel on July 10 and in edited version on August 17. The rule revision affecting telecommunications services appear well thought out and eliminate unnecessary requirements as well as replace outdated terms.

Lumen supports the rule changes proposed in this proceeding.

Very Truly Yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Gutierrez", with a stylized, flowing script.

Rick Gutierrez
Director, Regulatory Affairs

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RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
RM26-001
MAGT File: 0044

Dear Ms. Mohr:

I am writing to you on behalf of South Dakota Electric Utility Companies (SDEUC). SDEUC has reviewed the proposed rules affecting the gas and electric utilities in detail and harbor no objections. SDEUC also wishes to share that they think the administrative rules need review and reflection on a consistent basis and appreciate the Commission doing so.

SDEUC particularly appreciates the Commission identifying a couple of opportunities to increase efficiencies and eliminate the redundancy within the rules. The world that we power has changed so fast and in so many ways, and the rules need to reflect those changes where and when they can.

Thank you for your action and attention to these matters. We look forward to working with the Commission on rule revisions and changes in the future.

Very truly yours,

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RE: Public Comment on Proposed Grain Buyer Rule Changes

Commissioners,

On behalf of the South Dakota Agri-Business Association (SDABA), I am writing in support of the proposed amendments to ARSD 20:10:12:05.02 and ARSD 20:10:12:13.

SDABA represents more than 600 agribusinesses across South Dakota, including grain elevators and other businesses that serve the state's agricultural industry. In addition to representing grain buyers, SDABA also administers a grain bonding program, giving us a unique perspective on the importance of maintaining clear, practical, and effective financial requirements that protect producers while supporting a strong grain marketing system.

The proposed rule changes are straightforward, practical updates that provide additional clarity without changing the underlying intent of the regulations. Clarifying the conditions under which a grain buyer's bond may be released following the licensing year and adding the settlement date requirement to voluntary credit sale contracts are reasonable modifications that are supported by industry.

We appreciate the Commission's continued willingness to work with stakeholders to ensure South Dakota's grain regulatory framework remains clear, effective, and responsive to the needs of the industry. Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments, and we respectfully support adoption of these proposed rule changes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Liv Stavick".

Liv Stavick
Executive Director
South Dakota Agri-Business Association