

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED ) BY DOUGLAS L. KUPER, LENNOX, SOUTH ) DAKOTA, AGAINST LINCOLN-UNION ) ELECTRIC COMPANY REGARDING STRAY ) VOLTAGE )	)	ORDER FOR AND NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND HEARING EL98-005
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On March 6, 1998, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Complaint from Douglas L. Kuper (Kuper), Lennox, South Dakota, against Lincoln-Union Electric Company (Lincoln-Union) regarding stray voltage. This matter has been set for hearing commencing at 1:30 P.M., on Tuesday, December 15, 1998, and continuing through December 18, 1998, at the County Commissioner Room, County Administration Building, 415 North Dakota Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The Order and Notice for this hearing is dated August 31, 1998.

In order to facilitate the parties (which includes Commission staff for purposes of this Order) and the Commission in conducting an orderly hearing, a prehearing conference will be held on Friday, December 4, 1998, at 10:00 A.M. This prehearing conference will be conducted via a telephone conference call. Parties should call (605) 773-6140 to initiate participation in the conference. Should parties wish to attend the conference in person, they may do so by appearing in the Conference Room of the Public Utilities Commission, 500 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota.

Parties should be prepared to discuss or act upon the following matters:

1. names of attorneys representing the parties;
2. names of witnesses each party intends to call at the hearing;
3. an approximation of the amount of time each witness will need for direct testimony and the order of calling witnesses;
4. prehearing motions; parties should make all of their prehearing motions at the prehearing conference; parties may make such motions in writing prior to the time of the prehearing conference;
5. such other matters as the parties or Commission advisory counsel deem necessary to facilitate the hearing.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1998.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u><i>Dulaine Kolbo</i></u>
Date: <u>11/24/98</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:  
Commissioners Burg, Nelson and  
Schoenfelder

  
WILLIAM BULLARD, JR.  
Executive Director