

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AN)	ORDER GRANTING
ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY EXCEPTION)	APPROVAL OF AN
BETWEEN CLAY-UNION ELECTRIC)	EXCEPTION TO THE
CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF)	ASSIGNED ELECTRIC
VERMILLION)	SERVICE TERRITORY
)	EL02-018

On August 19, 2002, Clay-Union Electric Corporation (Clay-Union) filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a request for approval for the transfer of an electric service customer. Clay-Union has agreed to release Rollie and Sue French's electric service to the City of Vermillion. Rollie and Sue French and the City of Vermillion have consented to this transfer.

The address of the property to be served by the City of Vermillion is:

1401 East Main
Vermillion, South Dakota 57069

At its regularly scheduled meeting of September 5, 2002, the Commission considered the matter. Commission Staff recommended approval of the joint request.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-42 and 49-34A-55. Further, the Commission finds that an exception to the assigned service territory is in the public interest and the request shall be granted. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the request seeking approval of an exception to the assignment of service territory is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 18th day of September, 2002.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
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>Helaine Kalbs</i></u>
Date:	<u>9/19/02</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner