BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR) APPROVAL OF AN ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY BOUNDARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHERRY-TODD **ELECTRIC** COOPERATIVE, INC. AND WEST CENTRAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY BOUNDARY **CHANGES**

EL12-023

On March 12, 2012, Commission Staff filed an Electric Service Territory Boundary Agreement between Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative, Inc. and West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. This filing is made pursuant to current efforts of the PUC to verify electric territory mapping data for conversion to electronic format and use in a Geographic Information System (GIS) database. With the assistance of the above-referenced utilities, Commission Staff has confirmed the service territory boundary shared by these utilities and has prepared updated mapping information. Commission Staff requested approval of the agreement to update official mapping data to properly reflect the service territory boundaries shared by the utilities in this docket. On March 15, 2012, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 30, 2012, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. This docket was put before the Commission for approval at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 10, 2012, after Commission discussion, this matter was deferred to incorporate certain Commission suggestions to correct errors in mapping software discovered during the meeting.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over the matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-42, 49-34A-43 and 49-34A-55.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 22, 2012, the Commission reconsidered this matter. Commission Staff requested approval of the agreement in order to update official electric service territory mapping data to accurately reflect current service territories served by the utilities. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the request for approval of the agreement to update mapping data to reflect current electric service territory boundaries shared by Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative, Inc. and West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc. is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 23rd day of May, 2012.

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, electronically. By:
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE/COMMISSION: CHRIS NELSON Chairman KRISTIE FIEG Commission

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