BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION DBA NORTHWESTERN ENERGY FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS TO ITS LANDLORD CONTINUOUS SERVICE AGREEMENT ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS

EL18-012

On March 2, 2018, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a tariff revision filing from NorthWestern Corporation dba NorthWestern Energy (NorthWestern) for the purpose of revising its Landlord Continuous Service Agreement. NorthWestern requests an effective date of April 3, 2018. The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule

Section No. 1 1st Revised Sheet No. 3

Canceling Original Sheet No. 3

Section No. 6 Original Sheet No. 57 Original Sheet No. 58 Original Sheet No. 59 Original Sheet No. 60

On March 8, 2018, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 23, 2018, to interested entities and persons on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On March 26 and April 11, 2018, NorthWestern filed its responses to Commission staff's data requests.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-10, and ARSD 20:10:13:02.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 20, 2018, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions with an April 20, 2018, effective date. Finding the request to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve NorthWestern's request. It is therefore

ORDERED, that NorthWestern's request to revise its aforementioned tariffs is hereby granted and the revisions are approved effective April 20, 2018.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this <u>304</u> day of April 2018.

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, electronically or by mail/ Date (OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION: **KRISTIE F** GEN Chairpe

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CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner