

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT REQUEST) ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL
FOR SERVICE RIGHTS EXCEPTION) OF AN ELECTRIC SERVICE
BETWEEN CODINGTON-CLARK ELECTRIC) RIGHTS EXCEPTION
COOPERATIVE, INC., AND H-D ELECTRIC)
COOPERATIVE, INC.)**

EL18-025

On May 21, 2018, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Petition for Approval of Agreement and a Consent and Agreement for Electric Service between Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Codington-Clark) and H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc. (H-D) to allow Codington-Clark to provide electric service to an irrigation system within the Northwest Quarter of Section 3 in Township 115 North, Range 52 West of the 5th P.M., Hamlin County, South Dakota, located in H-D's territory. On April 27, 2018, the landowners executed a Request and Consent. The companies responded to staff's data request on June 14, 2018.

On May 24, 2018, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 8, 2018, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-42 through 49-34A-44 and 49-34A-55.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on June 26, 2018, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended granting approval of the requested service rights exception. Finding that the service rights exception will avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities, provide adequate electric service to the customer affected, promote the efficient and economical use and development of H-D's and Codington-Clark's electric systems, and that the exception to the parties' assigned service territories is in the public interest, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the requested service rights exception. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition for Approval of Agreement for an electric service rights exception is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of July 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.
By: <u>Karen E. Bremer</u>
Date: <u>07/05/18</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner