BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF ITS 1998 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND ITS 1999 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN	**)))))))**	**ORDER APPROVING 1998 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND 1999 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN NG98-014**

On December 31, 1998, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received MidAmerican Energy Company's (MidAmerican) 1998 Economic Development Annual Report and proposed Economic Development Plan for 1999. The proposed plan was filed in accordance with Docket No. NG95-006. At the request of Commission Staff, the company filed additional data in regard to this matter on February 2, 1999.

For 1999, MidAmerican's proposed economic development investment budget is $35,000. The actual expenditures for the 1998 Economic Development Plan were $37,475.

At its regularly scheduled April 26, 1999, meeting, the Commission reviewed MidAmerican's 1998 Economic Development Annual Report and Economic Development Plan for 1999. Based upon the Commission's decision in NG98-011, Commission Staff recommended approval of the filing. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, SDCL 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-6. After review of the report and plan, the Commission found that they are just and reasonable and voted to approve them. It is therefore

ORDERED, that MidAmerican's 1998 Economic Development Annual Report and Economic Development Plan for 1999 are approved as filed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of May, 1999.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

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PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner

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.

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