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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capital
Pierre, SD 57504-5070

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Re:

South Dakota Renewable, Recycled and Conserved Energy Objective Report

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In prior years, Basin Electric Power Cooperative (**Basin Electric**) filed a South Dakota Renewable, Recycled and Conserved Energy Objective Report per SDCL 49-34A-105 on behalf of the following Class A members in South Dakota:

- 1. Rushmore Electric Cooperative
- 2. Grand Electric Cooperative
- 3. Rosebud Electric Cooperative

In June, 2011, Basin Electric's board of directors adopted the following policy:

"RESOLVED, that effective January 1, 2012, Basin Electric Power Cooperative will, under its wholesale power contracts, distribute its available uncommitted Renewable Energy Credits to its Class A Members based on the revenue includable under the patronage formula."

As a result of this policy decision, Basin Electric retained no renewable energy credits in the year 2012. Those credits were distributed to its Class A members throughout its service territory, including the three cooperatives noted above. Therefore, Basin Electric will no longer aggregate the renewable, recycled and conserved energy objective reporting for these South Dakota cooperatives.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at 701/557-5713.

Sincerely,

Deborah Fohr Levchak

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c: Vic Simmons, Rushmore Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.
Jerry Reisenauer, Grand Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Gary Clayton, Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc.