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Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capitol, 1st Floor Pierre, SD 57501

Re: In the Matter of the Request for a Declaratory Ruling regarding the Electric Service Territory Boundary between NorthWestern Energy and Codington Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing please find the following:

- Petition for Declaratory Ruling;
- Affidavit of Ron Gogolin; and
- Certificate of Service.

In addition to counsel of record, NorthWestern Energy requests that the following be included on the Commission's service list:

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Thank you for your kind assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ **Heather H. Grahame**

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cc: Steve Lehner, Watertown Municipal Utilities Department Dave Eide, Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative